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The following is a summary of Soviet border activities for the period of time from 17 September to 17 December 1950 for the listed places.

1. Pol-Dasht
21, 22 and 23 September

Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: nine trains composed of 109 closed cars, 33 passenger cars, 19 carloads of wood, six tank cars, three carloads of machinery, one carload of iron, and 20 carloads of wood, stone, and lime.

Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: six trains composed of 15 passenger cars, 11 carloads of stone, eight tank cars, 27 carloads of lumber, 163 closed cars, 10 carloads of sand, three carloads of trucks, and one carload of armored cars, and four night trains.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: nine trains composed of 18 carloads of wood, 31 tank cars, 50 passenger cars, six empty cars, 17 carloads of coal, 56 closed cars, four carloads of iron, and two carloads of machinery.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: eight trains composed of 60 passenger cars, six carloads of bricks, four carloads of lumber, five carloads of sand, seven carloads of lime, 42 closed cars, two tank cars, seven carloads of coal, and five carloads of wood.

A Soviet plane coming from the direction of Shadi flew to Qaraqoyun (possibly identical to Karakin, 39-36N, 44-51E) where it sprayed the bank of the Araxes River with a powder and then flew off in the direction of Shah Takhti.

21 September 1200
hours

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Pol-Dasht (cont'd)1500
hours

Opposite the Iranian post of Demiqishlaq** (not located), the Soviets fired 12 rounds of machine gun and fired several rockets of various colors.

26 September 1600
hours

A truckload of soldiers arrived at a point opposite Iranian Zanjanah (39-34N, 44-54E) where the troops left the truck. After half an hour the troops got back into the truck and returned to Shah Takhti whence they had come.

Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: two trains composed of 15 passenger cars, six carloads of lumber, three carloads of trucks, one tank car, 21 closed cars, and three night trains.

Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: two trains composed of four tank cars, 44 closed cars, and 20 passenger cars, and one night train, make-up unknown.

Westbound, Dzhusfa to Nakhichevan: two trains composed of 14 carloads of lumber, 10 carloads of coal, 27 closed cars, two carloads of trucks.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhusfa: two trains composed of 14 carloads of lumber, 10 carloads of coal, 15 passenger cars, 12 closed cars, 25 carloads of stone, and one tank car.

5 and 6 October

Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: (number of trains not stated) 11 carloads of sand, nine carloads of stone, 32 carloads of lumber, eight freight cars, one tank car, 173 covered cars, three cars with loads unknown, three cars loaded with iron, 28 passenger cars, 15 trucks and two jeeps loaded on an unstated number of cars.

Westbound, Dzhusfa to Nakhichevan: (number of trains not stated): 31 passenger cars, 67 carloads of coal, two carloads of lumber, eight tank cars, 78 covered cars, two carloads of plaster, two carloads of coal, 15 cars loaded with iron, four tank cars, four carloads of sand, two cars loaded with clothing, seven freight cars, and two automobiles loaded on an unspecified number of cars.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhusfa: (number of trains not given) four carloads of bricks, three carloads of stones, five carloads of clothing, 20 covered cars, six carloads of plaster, and 56 passenger cars.

3 - 7 October
(Specific date unknown)

Road traffic - Eastbound, Yerevan to Shah Takhti: four carts, two trucks loaded with iron drove from Shah Takhti to the bridge and unloaded the iron bars which they were carrying near a ruined house close to the bridge.

One aircraft flew between Yerevan and Nakhichevan.

One Soviet soldier and one civilian planted a 1 kg mine at an approximate depth of 1/2 m. beneath the bridge at Pol Dasht and linked the mine by means of wiring to a pole about 100 meters from the bridge.***

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Pol Dasht (cont'd)

Opposite the Iranian post of Gara Khadjlu (possibly identical to Karakhajolu) Soviet soldiers signaled with a lamp.

Opposite the Iranian post of Gishlaq one salvo of guns was fired.

Opposite the Iranian post of Zanjaneh (Zangan, 39-34N, 44-54E) 62 rifle shots were fired.

10 and 11 October

Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: 29 passenger cars, 16 freight cars loaded with lumber, 14 tank cars, 65 boxcars, one carload of coal, five freight cars, and four carloads of lumber (the number of trains was not stated).

Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: five trains composed of one carload of sand, 37 closed cars, one carload of stones, one passenger car, and an unstated number of tank cars.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: 14 coal cars, 16 carloads of chopped wood, 53 closed cars, 17 passenger cars, four freight cars, and four tank cars (the number of trains was not stated).

The Soviets fired ninety shots at the Zanjaneh post. Nine gun salvos were fired at a point opposite Qaraqoyun.

0700
hours

One aircraft flew from Yerevan to Shah Takhti.

A soldier and a civilian went under the bridge and emerged a quarter of an hour later carrying some wires.

Opposite the Iranian Zekrelumian post (not located) an aircraft sprayed chemicals on trees and then flew toward Yerevan.

One truck, coming from Shah Takhti, delivered alfalfa at a point opposite the Pol (Dasht?) post. Forty trucks, contents unidentified, left Yerevan for Shah Takhti.

18 October

Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: four trains composed of one car loaded with soldiers, 60 closed cars, one carload of timber, 12 tank cars, one carload of coal, one carload of jeeps, two carloads of buses, six carloads of sand, and one carload of wood.

Two night trains from Nakhichevan to Yerevan and three night trains from Yerevan to Nakhichevan.

20 October

Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: two trains composed of 14 passenger cars, three carloads of wood, two tank cars, one carload of stone, and two closed cars.

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Pol Dasht (cont'd)

night	<p>Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: two trains composed of 13 tank cars, five carloads of sand, 10 empty cars, nine closed cars, one carload of lime, and one passenger car, and two other trains.</p> <p>Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: four trains composed of 10 tank cars, four carloads of coal, 10 carloads of wood, 32 closed cars, one carload of wire, 15 passenger cars, and five carloads of iron,</p> <p>Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 14 passenger cars, seven carloads of lumber, three carloads of stone, five carloads of bricks, and 18 closed cars.</p>
1100 hours	Opposite the Iranian post of Deniqishlag the Soviets fired 50 rifle shots.
2400 hours	Opposite the Iranian border post of Karakhajolu the Soviets fired 15 rifle shots; two white rockets were fired at the railroad station.
21 October	<p>Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: four trains composed of 43 closed cars, eight tank cars, three autos and five trucks on an unstated number of cars, three heavy machine guns in an unstated number of cars, and three carloads of stone.</p> <p>Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: two trains composed of 11 tank cars, four carloads of lumber, two carloads of sand, 25 closed cars, 11 passenger cars, plus a night train.</p> <p>Direction unstated between Nakhichevan and Dzhulfa: three trains composed of 15 tank cars, 11 carloads of wood, four carloads of coal, 22 closed cars, 10 carloads of iron, 2 passenger cars, and six trucks and four guns carried in an unstated number of cars.</p> <p>Stations and direction unstated: three trains composed of 14 passenger cars, one carload of bricks, seven carloads of lime, two carloads of kerosene, 26 closed cars, eight carloads of stone, four carloads of wood, and 10 jeeps carried in an unstated number of cars.</p>
25 October	<p>1400 hours</p> <p>An auto coming from Shah Takhti delivered three Soviet soldiers to a point opposite the Zanjaneh post. Four Soviet officers coming from Shah Takhti by jeep got out at a point opposite the Pol post and proceeded to observe the Iranian terrain through binoculars. The officers then returned to Shah Takhti.</p>
26 October	<p>1500 hours</p> <p>An auto carrying six soldiers coming from Shah Takhti delivered the soldiers to the post opposite Iranian Shotlu (39-33N, 44-55E).</p> <p>1630 Hours</p> <p>A salvo of guns was fired opposite the Iranian post at Zanjaneh.</p>
23 - 26 October	<p>Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: 11 trains composed of 84 passenger cars, 14 autos in an unstated number of cars, 21 carloads of lumber, four tank cars, 182 closed cars, 15 boxcars, 1 carload of stones, one carload of buses, 21 empty cars,</p>

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nine coal cars, three cars loaded with iron material, plus four night trains.

Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: three trains composed of two carloads of buses, 12 tank cars, 77 closed cars, plus 10 night trains.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: 11 trains carrying 16 carloads of lumber, 164 closed cars, one carload of sand, eight carloads of autos and trucks, 31 carloads of logs, 15 tank cars, one carload of coal, 28 passenger cars, six jeeps in an unstated number of cars, 34 carloads of cases, and three carloads of iron materials.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 28 passenger cars.

27 October

The Soviets have installed barbed wire obstacles from Qaraqoyun as far as Manjanah.

28 October 1600 hours

Soviet fighter aircraft flew from Yerevan to Shah Takhti.

1300 hours

About 30 Soviet soldiers left a train near the bridge and boarded a truck which left for Shah Takhti.

27 - 31 October

Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: 21 trains composed of 12 tank cars, 15 carloads of wood, 261 covered cars, 84 passenger cars, 26 carloads of lumber, 11 carloads of stone, 16 carloads of iron, six trucks and 15 jeeps in an unstated number of cars, six carloads of coal, 18 carloads of sand, and one carload of guns.

Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: 11 trains composed of 219 covered cars, 26 passenger cars, four carloads of lumber, 14 jeeps carried in an unstated number of cars, 30 carloads of sand, nine tank cars, one carload of boxes, seven carloads of bricks, two carloads of wood, four carloads of stone, 10 tanks carried in an unstated number of cars, and seven other trains.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: 18 trains composed of 77 carloads of wood, 20 carloads of kerosene, 59 passenger cars, 26 carloads of coal, 180 covered cars, seven carloads of trucks, one carload of ammunition boxes, 23 tractors carried on an unstated number of cars, 30 carloads of lumber, 11 carloads of iron, three buses carried on an unstated number of cars, one locomotive.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: 12 trains composed of 113 passenger cars, six tank cars, four coal cars, six carloads of iron, 38 covered cars, 12 carloads of bricks, two carloads of lime, five carloads of sand, two carloads of clothing, one carload of stone.

30 October 1800 hours

An armored vehicle left for Yerevan from Shah Takhti.

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Three Soviet planes flew toward Yerevan from Shah Takhti.

31 October 0800 hours A Soviet plane flew from Shah Takhti over Garaqoyun and then flew off in the direction of Yerevan.

1 and 2 November Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: eight trains composed of 28 passenger cars, 72 carloads of lumber, one carload of coal, eight tank cars, three carloads of stone, two carloads of wire, 147 closed cars, and nine jeeps carried in an unstated number of cars.

night Three trains (make-up unknown).

Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: three trains composed of five tank cars and 71 closed cars.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: three trains composed of 28 passenger cars, five carloads of clothing, and 38 closed cars.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: six trains composed of 28 carloads of wood and lumber, four tank cars, two carloads of coal, two passenger cars, 10 closed cars, three carloads of boxes, and three automobiles, four trucks, and four jeeps carried in an unstated number of cars.

3 November 0630 hours Five shots were fired opposite the Iranian post at Zanjaneh

0830 hours Soviet plane flew from a point opposite the post at Deniqishlag towards Garaqoyun.

1700 hours Nine Soviet soldiers worked on barbed wire installations fronting the post at Shotlu as far as the post of Shedi (possibly Shiddi, 39-31N, 44-56E).

4 November 1200 hours Fronting the post at Deniqishlag and opposite the post at Zacharlu (39-23N, 45-01E) 17 artillery shots were fired by guns facing toward Soviet territory.

1200 hours to 1600 hours There was firing practice opposite the posts of Pazri, (not located) and Gara Khadjlu.

Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: five trains composed of 27 passenger cars, 10 carloads of coal, seven tank cars, 75 closed cars, 12 carloads of red earth, one carload of barbed wire, three carloads of jeeps, and six jeeps carried in an unstated number of cars.

Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: one train composed of three tank cars, one carload of bricks, and 41 closed cars.

night Three trains (make-up unknown).

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Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: two trains composed of 13 passenger cars, 16 tank cars, 22 closed cars, and four buses and 43 trucks carried in an unstated number of cars.

5 November 0800 hours Opposite the Iranian post of Tara Khadjlu, 20 Soviet soldiers went to the bank of the Araxes River where an officer and two enlisted men joined them within 10 minutes, whereupon the party returned to the place whence it came.

1000 hours Iranian territory was observed by a Soviet officer and one soldier through a telescope. The observation lasted about an hour.

5 and 6 November Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: nine trains composed of 28 passenger cars, 10 carloads of earth, three carloads of lumber, three carloads of jeeps, 112 closed cars, 44 tank cars, three carloads of coal, and 12 carloads of automobiles.

Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: one train composed of one carload of stone and 23 closed cars.

night Six trains (make-up unknown)

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: five trains composed of 13 tank cars, 10 carloads of wood, 44 closed cars, 12 carloads of cases, 30 passenger cars, 10 carloads of brick, and six automobiles carried in an unstated number of cars.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: four trains composed of five carloads of brick, 11 empty cars, two carloads of stone, 19 closed cars, 28 passenger cars, 13 tank cars, and 26 jeeps carried in an unstated number of cars.

6 November 1000 hours The Soviets carried out communication exercises opposite the post of Zacharlu using mirrors and lamps.

1200 hours Opposite the Iranian post at Shotlu the Soviets established a watchtower.

7 November Rail traffic - westbound Nakhichevan to Yerevan: two trains composed of 14 passenger cars, four tank cars, three carloads of earth, and 30 closed cars.

Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: three trains composed of six tank cars, 32 closed cars, 24 carloads of sand, eight carloads of stone, and eight jeeps on an unstated number of cars.

night Four trains (make-up unknown).

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: three trains composed of 13 passenger cars, six tank cars, six carloads of iron, 15 carloads of coal, one carload of wood, and 40 closed cars.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 14 passenger cars.

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Pol Dasht (cont'd)

8 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: three trains composed of 13 passenger cars, six carloads of earth, one carload of jeeps, two carloads of lumber, 66 closed cars, and five carloads of coal.

night Two trains (make-up unknown).

night Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: four trains (make-up unknown).

Westbound, Dzhusfa to Nakhichevan: three trains composed of 14 passenger cars, 27 closed cars, two automobiles and four jeeps carried in an unstated number of cars, and two carloads of trucks.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhusfa: one train composed of three passenger cars.

9 and 10 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: eight trains composed of 22 carloads of stone, four carloads of coal, two carloads of jeeps, 49 closed cars, 27 passenger cars, five tank cars, six carloads of lumber, 12 carloads of earth, eight carloads of wood, one carload of cases, and eight carloads of sand.

night Six trains went from Yerevan to Nakhichevan.

Westbound, Dzhusfa to Nakhichevan: six trains composed of 30 passenger cars, 15 carloads of wood, 21 tank cars, seven carloads of coal, 67 closed cars, nine carloads of trucks, and four carloads of iron.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhusfa: five trains composed of four tank cars, nine carloads of bricks, 20 closed cars, 32 passenger cars, five carloads of lumber, three carloads of lime, and six carloads of coal.

11 November

Three Soviet soldiers installed a barbed wire fence starting from a newly constructed watchtower located opposite the Iranian post of Shotlu to a point in front of the Iranian Shedi post.

Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: five trains composed of 15 passenger cars, 17 carloads of lumber, four carloads of stone, three carloads of coal, 16 closed cars, 28 autos on an unstated number of cars, and 33 tank cars.

Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: one train composed of one passenger car, seven closed cars, and three other trains (contents unknown).

Westbound, Dzhusfa to Nakhichevan: four trains composed of 11 tank cars, three carloads of coal, 10 carloads of lumber, 47 closed cars, 48 autos on an unstated number of cars, and 15 passenger cars.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhusfa: two trains composed of a carload of bricks, 16 closed cars, and 13 passenger cars.

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12 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: four trains composed of 12 passenger cars, four carloads of automobiles, two carloads of coal, six tank cars, six carloads of lumber, two carloads of lime, and 63 closed cars.

Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: two trains composed of seven tank cars and 50 closed cars.

night Two trains (make-up unknown).

Westbound, Dzhusfa to Nakhichevan: two trains composed of 18 freight cars, two tank cars, two carloads of iron, nine carloads of wood, two carloads of bricks, and 49 closed cars.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhusfa: one train composed of 15 passenger cars.

13 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: two trains composed of 29 passenger cars.

night Two trains (make-up unknown).

Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: one train composed of two carloads of bricks, one carload of timber, and 36 closed cars.

night Five trains (make-up unknown).

Westbound, Dzhusfa to Nakhichevan: three trains composed of 15 passenger cars, 18 carloads of wood, three carloads of coal, two carloads of cases, 32 closed cars, and one tank car.

2100 hours Sixty-five trucks (loads were unidentifiable because of darkness) moved toward Yerevan coming from Karagoyun.

14 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: three trains composed of 11 carloads of lumber, 15 tank cars, 17 closed cars, and 13 passenger cars.

Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: one train composed of 17 tank cars, two carloads of stone, one passenger car, and nine closed cars.

night Three trains (make-up unknown).

Westbound, Dzhusfa to Nakhichevan: two trains composed of 15 passenger cars, two tank cars, nine carloads of wood, one carload of automobiles, and 10 closed cars.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhusfa: one train composed of 12 passenger cars.

1700 hours Opposite the Iranian post of Pazi (possibly the previously reported Pazi), two artillery pieces were fired.

1800 hours Opposite the Deniqishlag post, 36 bursts of machine gun were fired.

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Pol Dasht (cont'd)

15 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: three trains composed of 13 passenger cars, six carloads of timber, one carload of desks and chairs, one car carrying two automobiles, three carloads of coal, one carload of iron, and 52 closed cars.

Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: one train composed of one carload of stone, one passenger car, and 11 closed cars.

night Two trains (make-up unknown).

Westbound, Dzhalfa to Nakhichevan: three trains composed of 14 passenger cars, four carloads of coal, six carloads of timber, one carload of jeeps, five carloads of iron, and 55 closed cars.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhalfa: one train composed of 15 passenger cars.

1500 hours One truckload of soldiers coming from Shah Takhti stopped opposite the Iranian Zanjaneh post where the soldiers dismounted. After awhile, the soldiers returned to Shah Takhti.

1600 hours Eight rifle shots were fired in the Soviet post of Zanjaneh.

1600 hours There was rifle target practice at the Qaraqoyun post. Three artillery pieces were fired at this post.

1630 hours A carload of soldiers coming from Shah Takhti arrived at the border post opposite Iranian Zanjaneh.

16 November 1300 hours Eight Soviet soldiers came from Shah Takhti by truck and dismounted in front of the Zanjaneh post. A truckload of soldiers moved from Nakhichevan to Shah Takhti.

2100 to 2200 hours Opposite the post of Deniqishlag, rifle target practice was held.

2100 hours Opposite the post of Zacharlu, the Soviets carried on communications using four lamps for this purpose.

16 and 17 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: four trains composed of 30 passenger cars, 51 tank cars, 23 carloads of lumber, five carloads of coal, 76 closed cars, one car loaded with 10 machine guns, four carloads of cases, six trucks and two jeeps loaded on an unstated number of cars.

Eastbound Yerevan to Nakhichevan: two trains composed of one tank car, one carload of stone, and 13 closed cars.

night Seven trains (make-up unknown).

Westbound, Dzhalfa to Nakhichevan: six trains composed of five carloads of coal, three carloads of iron, 10 carloads of wood, 66 closed cars, 20 passenger cars, 25 tank cars, two carloads of agricultural equipment and six trucks.

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Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhusfa: two trains composed of 38 passenger cars.

14, 15 and 16 November (alternate version of the above) Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: nine trains composed of 42 passenger cars, an unstated number of cars carrying seven autos, two jeeps, 30 trucks and three buses, 26 carloads of lumber, five carloads of iron, one carload of stone, 139 closed cars, five tank cars, five carloads of sand, two carloads of coal, an unstated number of cars with three motors plus five other trains (make-up unknown).

Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: three trains composed of seven carloads of kerosene, one carload of sand, one carload of lumber, 70 closed cars, plus five other trains, make-up unknown.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhusfa: two trains composed of an unstated number of cars carrying five jeeps, one carload of iron, two carloads of coal, one carload of wood, 39 closed cars, 13 passenger cars, and an unstated number of cars with three tractors, plus another train composed of 14 passenger cars.

18 November Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: three trains composed of 13 passenger cars, nine carloads of lumber, 24 tank cars, one carload of automobiles, three carloads of earth, 29 closed cars, four carloads of sand, and seven motors carried on an unstated number of cars.

night Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: five trains, make-up unknown.

Westbound, Dzhusfa to Nakhichevan: five trains composed of 24 passenger cars, 12 carloads of wood, 25 tank cars, one carload of charcoal, five carloads of bricks, and 52 closed cars.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhusfa: one train of 14 passenger cars.

19 November Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: three trains composed of 14 passenger cars, five carloads of lime, 20 tank cars and 37 closed cars.

Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: one train composed of one passenger car and 19 closed cars.

night Three trains, make-up unknown.

Westbound, Dzhusfa to Nakhichevan: three trains composed of 14 passenger cars, 20 tank cars, six carloads of iron, three carloads of stone, 23 closed cars, and seven carloads of wood.

Eastbound Nakhichevan to Dzhusfa: one train composed of 14 passenger cars.

20 November 1000 hours Soviet plane flew from Yerevan to Shah Takhti.

1600 hours Soviet soldiers fired five rifle shots opposite the Iranian post of Zanjaneh.

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Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: three trains composed of 14 passenger cars, 10 carloads of lumber, two carloads of stone, four tank cars, 37 closed cars, two carloads of chairs, and two carloads of trucks.

night One train, make-up unknown.

Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: one train composed of 35 carloads of sand.

night Four trains, make-up unknown.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: three trains composed of 14 passenger cars, two tank cars, five carloads of lumber, two carloads of coal, 61 closed cars, and four carloads of wood.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 15 carloads of passengers.

21 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: two trains composed of 14 passenger cars, 16 tank cars, and three closed cars.

night Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: three trains, make-up unknown.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: two trains composed of 13 passenger cars, three tank cars, two carloads of lumber, and three closed cars.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 12 tank cars, two carloads of lumber, two carloads of brick, 13 passenger cars, and 17 closed cars.

22 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: two trains composed of 14 passenger cars, one tank car, one carload of wood, and eight closed cars.

Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: one train composed of 13 carloads of sand, three tank cars, 22 closed cars.

night Three trains, make-up unknown.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: three trains composed of 14 passenger cars, 18 tank cars, a carload of wood, and 20 closed cars.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of three tank cars, 30 closed cars, and 15 passenger cars.

23 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: two trains composed of 15 passenger cars, six cars loaded with 13 jeeps, two carloads of automobile engines, three carloads of trucks, and 34 closed cars.

night Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: three trains, make-up unknown.

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Pol Dasht (cont'd)

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: two trains composed of 14 passenger cars, eight carloads of wood, four carloads of coal, and 23 closed cars.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 13 passenger cars.

24 November 1200 hours Iranian patrols, while conducting their routine patrol, were fired upon by Soviet soldiers.

24 and 25 November Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: 11 trains composed of 42 carloads of passengers, nine carloads of coal, nine carloads of lumber, 28 tank cars, 182 closed cars, and an unstated number of cars with eight trucks, plus one train (make-up unknown).

Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: three trains composed of one carload of jeeps, 2 carloads of autos, 76 closed cars, four carloads of lumber, and two carloads of sand, plus seven other trains.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: four trains composed of 27 carloads of passengers, four carloads of coal, one carload of autos, 51 closed cars, four tank cars.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 33 passenger cars.

26 November Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: five trains composed of 16 passenger cars, nine coal cars, an unknown number of cars with four autos, six carloads of lumber, 71 closed cars, 19 tank cars, three carloads of sand.

Eastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: one train composed of four carloads of sand, three tank cars, four carloads of hay, four carloads of lumber, one passenger car, 26 closed cars, plus four other trains (make-up unknown).

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: one train composed of four carloads of iron, three carloads of boxes, one tank car, two carloads of earth, and 26 closed cars.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 19 passenger cars.

28 November Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: two trains composed of 15 passenger cars, seven carloads of lumber, two carloads of sand, two carloads of autos, six tank cars, 60 closed cars, and seven carloads of wood and eight trucks.

night Three trains, make-up unknown, traveled from Yerevan to Nakhichevan.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: three trains composed of 14 passenger cars, two carloads of cars, three tank cars, eight carloads of coal, 47 closed cars, and three carloads of wood.

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Fastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhusfa: one train composed of 14 carloads of passengers.

13 December

Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: three trains composed of 15 passenger cars, one carload of lumber, 24 closed cars, 31 freight cars, five carloads of iron, two tank cars, an unstated number of cars with five trucks, plus five other trains (make-up unknown).

night

Fastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: one train composed of five tank cars, seven carloads of sand, 24 closed cars, and three other trains (make-up unknown).

Fastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhusfa: three trains composed of 19 carloads of passengers, 37 carloads of wood, one carload of iron, 35 empty freight cars, five tank cars, 27 closed cars, and 15 passenger cars.

14 and 15 December

Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: seven trains composed of 30 passenger cars, 10 tank cars, 10 carloads of sand, 49 empty freight cars, 11 closed cars, five jeeps and a motor carried in an unstated number of cars, seven carloads of coal, one car carrying a truck, three carloads of lumber, and two other trains (make-up unknown).

Fastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: two trains composed of one carload of sand, three carloads of stoves, 39 closed cars, five tank cars, one passenger car, and two other trains (make-up unknown).

Westbound, Dzhusfa to Nakhichevan: four trains composed of 14 passenger cars, 30 tank cars, six coal cars, 51 closed cars, six carloads of wood, three carloads of sand, and one carload of iron.

Fastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhusfa: three trains composed of one carload of earth, one carload of iron, 41 closed cars, and 34 passenger cars.

16 December

Rail traffic - westbound, Nakhichevan to Yerevan: four trains composed of 14 passenger cars, seven carloads of sand, 16 carloads of lumber, 31 closed cars, one carload of motors, 39 cars loaded with 38 trucks, four tank cars, seven closed cars, and an unstated number of cars loaded with seven jeeps.

Fastbound, Yerevan to Nakhichevan: one train composed of seven tank cars, one carload of motors, three closed cars, and three other trains (make-up unknown).

Westbound, Dzhusfa to Nakhichevan: four trains composed of 16 passenger cars, four carloads of wood, one carload of coal, 12 tank cars, 34 closed cars, one carload of timber, two carloads of bricks, three carloads of boxes, two carloads of jeeps and 25 trucks.

Fastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhusfa: one train composed of 15 carloads of passengers.

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2. Dzhulfa

20 September

0930
hours

Thirteen Soviet soldiers alighted from a train going from Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa at the Soviet guard post opposite Shah Abasi.

20, 22 September

Rail traffic - westbound, Ordubad, Dzhulfa, Nakhichevan: two trains composed of 42 passenger cars and three boxcars.

Westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: five trains composed of 90 roofed cars, six tank cars, two carloads of pipe, one carload of boxes, 22 carloads of lumber, 86 gondolas, two carloads of lime, one carload of coal.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: six trains composed of 61 boxcars, 54 gondolas, four carloads of autos, five carloads of pipe, one carload of iron, one carload of stone, three tank cars, eight carloads of lumber and coal, two carloads of tools and instruments.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: four trains composed of 82 boxcars, eight gondolas loaded with lumber, 15 carloads of digging (sic) motors, two carloads of tractors, one carload of boxes, 37 tank cars, two coal cars, five carloads of motors along with some lumber and white stones.

night

Sixteen trains, make-up unknown, moved between Ordubad and Dzhulfa (direction unknown).

Road traffic between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan (direction not given): 102 trucks, three autos, and a bus.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Ordubad: 67 trucks, two jeeps, and two buses.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Darreh: 13 trucks.

Westbound, Darreh to Dzhulfa: 13 trucks, two jeeps, and a truck bearing a gun.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan, Dzhulfa, Ordubad: 30 trucks, two jeeps, one auto, and a truck bearing a gun.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: three trucks carrying soldiers.

22 September

0600
hours
to 1600
hours

A unit of soldiers fired 300 bursts of machine gun fire at Soviet Dzhulfa.

25 September

Rail traffic: one train composed of 14 passenger cars and one boxcar moved from Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and returned.

Westbound, Ordubad, Dzhulfa, Nakhichevan: one train composed of 33 boxcars, 24 gondolas, one tank car, and an unstated number of cars with wood and lumber.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: one train composed of 31 boxcars, eight gondolas, one tank car, and an unstated number of cars loaded with coal and lumber.

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Dzhulfa (cont'd)

night Six trains, make-up unknown, moved between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan (direction not given).

Road traffic: one truckload of armed soldiers and a gun entered Dzhulfa coming from Nakhichevan.

One truck loaded with soldiers and a gun moved from Darreh to Dzhulfa.

27 September

Rail traffic: one train composed of 14 passenger cars and one boxcar moved from Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and returned.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: two freight trains composed of 41 boxcars, three gondolas, two tank cars, and an unstated number of cars containing coal, lumber, and wood.

night Seven trains, make-up unknown, moved between Ordubad and Nakhichevan (direction not given).

1130 hours Two truckloads of armed soldiers left Dzhulfa for Nakhichevan.

10 October

Rail traffic: one train composed of 12 passenger cars and one boxcar moved from Ordubad to Dzhulfa and returned.

Westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: one freight train composed of 15 carloads of lumber and three tank cars.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: one train composed of 23 freight cars, five carloads of wood and lumber, and three tank cars.

Personnel changes took place at the various posts in the area and the soldiers guarding the Soviet railway bridge at Dzhulfa were also changed.

18 October

Road traffic: 20 motorcycles and six trucks with machine guns moved from Dzhulfa to Ordubad.

Soviet soldiers held maneuvers opposite Shah Takhti.

18 and 19 October

Rail traffic: two trains composed of 23 passenger cars and three boxcars went from Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and returned.

Westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: five trains composed of 113 boxcars, 26 tank cars, 76 gondolas loaded with stones and soil, eight taxis, one truck, some timber, iron, and wood.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 79 boxcars, three passenger cars, and some furniture in an unstated number of cars.

Westbound, Ordubad, Dzhulfa, Nakhichevan: one freight train composed of 10 boxcars, 20 gondolas, and eight tank cars.

night Seven trains, make-up unknown, moved between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan (direction not given).

20 October

Rail traffic - westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: one train composed of an unstated number of cars loaded with 24 anti-aircraft machine guns.

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Dzhulfa (cont'd)

One train composed of 14 passenger cars and one boxcar moved from Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and returned.

Westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 19 boxcars, 24 gondolas, an unstated number of cars loaded with five autos, nine carloads of wood, and two tank cars.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: one train composed of 37 boxcars, 14 gondolas, one passenger car, two freight cars, two carloads of bricks, four carloads of lumber, and nine tank cars.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: two trains composed of 54 boxcars, 27 gondolas among which 16 fuel tanks were observed, and two carloads of wood.

night Four trains, make-up unknown, moved between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan (direction not given).

Road traffic - westbound, Ordubad, Dzhulfa, Nakhichevan: three trucks.

Westbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: 31 trucks.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa and Ordubad: 31 jeeps and one auto.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Darreh: six trucks.

Westbound, Darreh to Dzhulfa: five trucks.

1530 One truckload of troops went from Darreh to Dzhulfa and
hours one hour later a truckload of troops went from Dzhulfa to Ordubad.

20 - 23 October

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: five trains composed of 61 passenger cars and nine boxcars, two trains composed of 118 boxcars, 24 tank cars, 65 gondolas carrying coal and 18 motors, plus three locomotives and three gondolas.

Westbound, Ordubad, Dzhulfa, Nakhichevan: eight trains composed of 168 boxcars, 150 gondolas loaded with nine jeeps, wood, timber, bricks, and earth, 21 cars loaded with autos, eight fuel drums, one truck, and a quantity of coal.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan, Dzhulfa, Ordubad: three trains composed of 66 boxcars, 43 gondolas, four cars carrying seven autos, a crane, clothing, and some sand.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: two trains composed of 28 gondolas loaded with earth and sand.

night Twenty-two trains, make-up unknown, moved between Ordubad, Dzhulfa and Nakhichevan (direction not given).

Road traffic: an armored vehicle moved from Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa and another one went from Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan.

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Dzhulfa (cont'd)

24 - 26 October

Rail traffic: three trains composed of 37 passenger cars and four boxcars went from Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and returned.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: three trains composed of 52 boxcars, one tank car, 74 gondolas of which 18 were loaded with lumber and two were loaded with automobiles.

Westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: six trains composed of 104 boxcars, 15 tank cars, 40 gondolas carrying three trucks, some lumber and timber, and 12 passenger cars.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: one train composed of 16 boxcars, one tank car, 47 carloads of lumber, coal, and sand.

night Twenty-four trains, make-up unknown, moved between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan, (direction not given).

Road traffic: ten truckloads of armed soldiers moved from Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa.

28 October

Rail traffic: one train composed of 12 passenger cars and two boxcars moved from Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and returned.

Westbound, Ordubad, Dzhulfa, Nakhichevan: one train composed of 26 boxcars, 13 gondolas carrying two autos, a kerosene tank, wood, and coal.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: one train composed of 15 carloads of coal, 20 boxcars, and one tank car.

Westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 30 boxcars and three gondolas, each of which carried a fuel tank.

night Seven trains, make-up unknown, moved between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan, (direction not given).

29 October

Rail traffic: one train composed of 13 passenger cars and one boxcar moved from Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and returned.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: one train with 35 boxcars loaded with fuel tanks and telephone equipment.

Westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 17 boxcars loaded with coal, wood posts, and lumber.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: one train composed of one carload of cases and hay, three carloads of soldiers, and nine boxcars.

night Seven trains, make-up unknown, moved between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan, (direction not given).

30 October

Rail traffic: one passenger train composed of 12 passenger cars and one boxcar moved from Ordubad to Dzhulfa and returned.

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Dzhulfa (cont'd)

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: two trains composed of 20 boxcars, eight gondolas of lumber, and five tank cars.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 13 boxcars, 14 gondolas among the loads of which were seen eight autos and one truck.

Westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: one train composed of six boxcars and nine gondolas loaded with posts and kerosene tanks.

night Seven trains, make-up unknown, moved between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan (direction not stated).

2000 Road traffic: one truck carrying a gun moved from Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan.

31 October

Rail traffic: one train composed of 11 passenger cars and two boxcars moved from Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and returned.

Westbound, Ordubad, Dzhulfa, Nakhichevan: one train composed of 24 boxcars, 17 carloads of coal and lime, and two carloads of armed soldiers.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan, Dzhulfa, Ordubad: one train composed of 27 boxcars, eight carloads of coal and iron cages (sic), and seven tank cars.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: one train composed of seven boxcars, 12 gondolas loaded with two iron cages, one jeep, two trucks, lumber, and four kerosene tanks; one train composed of 43 boxcars, five gondolas, and seven tank cars.

night Ten trains, make-up unknown, moved between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan (direction not stated).

1 - 2 November

Total rail traffic, east and westbound between Nakhichevan, Dzhulfa, and Ordubad: two trains composed of 25 passenger cars and two boxcars.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: four trains composed of 88 boxcars, eight carloads of barbed wire, three gondolas, and six tank cars.

Westbound, Ordubad, Dzhulfa, Nakhichevan: three trains composed of 54 boxcars, 51 gondolas carrying lumber, six jeeps, and three trucks, 25 tank cars, and two carloads of coal.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: one train composed of one passenger car, 37 boxcars, and five gondolas.

night East and westbound total between Nakhichevan, Dzhulfa, and Ordubad: 13 trains, make-up unknown.

Road traffic - westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: one truckload of armed soldiers.

3 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Ordubad, Dzhulfa, Nakhichevan: one train composed of 11 passenger cars and two carloads of flour; one train composed of 51 boxcars and 12 carloads of coal.

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Dzhulfa (cont'd)

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: one train composed of 45 boxcars, 17 gondolas, and two tank cars.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: one train composed of 18 gondolas loaded with bricks.

night East and westbound total between Nakhichevan, Dzhulfa, and Ordubad: seven trains, make-up unknown.

Road traffic - westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: eight truckloads of armed soldiers.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: four empty trucks.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: three empty trucks.

4 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Ordubad, Dzhulfa, Nakhichevan: one train composed of 14 passenger cars and one freight car.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan, Dzhulfa, Ordubad: one train composed of 14 passenger cars and one freight car.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: one train composed of 20 boxcars, three tank cars, one passenger car, 10 gondolas which were loaded with eight jeeps, one crane, and some coal.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: two trains composed of 71 boxcars, one tank car, and 15 gondolas.

night East and westbound total between Nakhichevan, Dzhulfa, and Ordubad: seven trains, make-up unknown.

Road traffic - westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: one truck loaded with a gun.

Three trucks loaded with lumber and barbed wire unloaded in front of the reinforced concrete bridge at Soviet Dzhulfa.

6 and 7 November

Total east and westbound rail traffic between Nakhichevan, Dzhulfa, and Ordubad: two trains composed of 25 passenger cars and three boxcars.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: two trains composed of 17 boxcars, 25 tank cars, and 23 gondolas loaded with coal and wood and six automobiles.

Westbound, Ordubad, Dzhulfa, Nakhichevan: one train composed of two gondolas loaded with coal and seven tank cars.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 24 boxcars, 20 carloads of sand, one tank car, and 10 gondolas.

Westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: four trains composed of 90 boxcars, 25 carloads of lumber, 19 gondolas, 27 tank cars, and 10 carloads of trucks.

night Westbound, Ordubad, Dzhulfa, Nakhichevan: 12 trains, make-up unknown.

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Dzhulfa (cont'd)

8 and 9 November

Rail traffic: two trains composed of 23 passenger cars and four boxcars moved from Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and returned.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 32 gondolas, 32 open cars, seven tank cars, plus four trains composed of 10 boxcars, eight open cars, one passenger car, and one tank car.

Westbound, Ordubad, Dzhulfa, Nakhichevan: four trains composed of one car loaded with a truck, 22 tank cars, 73 boxcars, 43 carloads of coal and wood, one car loaded with a crane, some wood, and posts.

night

Eighteen trains, make-up unknown, moved between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan (direction not stated).

10 November

Rail traffic: one passenger train composed of 14 passenger cars and one boxcar went from Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and returned.

Westbound, Ordubad, Dzhulfa, Nakhichevan: one train composed of 25 boxcars, seven open cars, three carloads of wood and wooden posts.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: two trains composed of 38 open cars, 37 boxcars, and 19 cars loaded with 26 automobiles and wood.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: one train, make-up unknown.

night

Seven trains, make-up unknown, traveled between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan (direction not stated).

11 November

Rail traffic: one train composed of 12 passenger cars and one boxcar moved from Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and returned.

Westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 33 boxcars, three tank cars, and eight carloads of lumber.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 16 boxcars, 16 gondolas, three of which were loaded with soldiers.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: one train composed of 15 boxcars and 18 gondolas full of men, women, and children.

night

Nine trains, make-up unknown, traveled between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan (direction not stated).

12 November

Rail traffic: two trains composed of 27 passenger cars and three boxcars moved from Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and returned.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: three trains composed of 57 boxcars, 27 tank cars, 13 gondolas loaded with earth and wood, and one car carrying a truck.

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Dzhulfa (cont'd)

Westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: three trains composed of 65 boxcars, 17 gondolas seven of which each carried one tank equipped with an anti-aircraft machine gun, one car carrying a crane, and an unspecified number of cars loaded with iron posts.

night Eighteen trains, make-up unknown, went between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan (direction not stated).

Road traffic: one truck loaded with foodstuffs went from Dzhulfa to the border post opposite Iranian Shah Abasi, unloaded, and returned to Dzhulfa.

One truckload of armed soldiers arrived at Ordubad, coming from Dzhulfa.

12 November
(alternate version)

Rail traffic: Ordubad, to Dzhulfa, to Nakhichevan and return: one passenger train composed of 14 passenger cars and two boxcars.

Westbound, Ordubad, Dzhulfa, Nakhichevan: two trains composed of 24 roofed cars, three tank cars, 34 gondolas loaded with three trucks, wooden posts, and coal, two carloads of iron tubes, and four carloads of small, two-wheeled carts for carrying earth.

Westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 40 roofed cars, seven tank cars, and 12 gondolas one of which carried a truck.

night Westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: five trains, make-up unknown.

1100 hours Soviet officers practiced pistol shooting opposite the Iranian border post of Shah Abasi.

1000 hours Artillery firing practice was conducted at Soviet Dzhulfa; 57 shots were fired.
to 1500 hours

13 November

Rail traffic: Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and return: one passenger train composed of 13 passenger cars and two roofed cars.

Westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 43 roofed cars, seven tank cars, and 12 gondolas.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 30 gondolas loaded with sand. The sand was unloaded at the Tanabi border post near the railroad.

night Westbound, Ordubad, Dzhulfa, Nakhichevan: four trains, make-up unknown.

14 November

No report available.

15 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 12 passenger cars and one roofed car.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: two trains composed of 18 roofed cars and 25 gondolas loaded with iron rods.

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Dzhulfa (cont'd)

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: two trains composed of 57 roofed cars, 23 tank cars, and 18 gondolas.

Westbound, Ordubad, Dzhulfa, Nakhichevan: one train composed of eight roofed cars and 20 tank cars.

night Six trains, make-up unknown, moved between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan (direction not stated).

16 and 17 November Rail traffic - Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and return: two trains composed of 25 passenger cars and two roofed cars.

Westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: four trains composed of 22 roofed cars, 41 tank cars, and 30 carloads of lumber.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: one train composed of 39 roofed cars, six tank cars, and 16 carloads of coal.

Westbound, Ordubad, Dzhulfa, Nakhichevan: three trains composed of 56 roofed cars, 24 tank cars, 25 gondolas loaded with one tractor, seven trucks, seven motors, and nine anti-aircraft guns. The guns were unloaded at Dzhulfa while the remainder of the loads went on to Nakhichevan.

night Seventeen trains, make-up unknown, moved between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan (direction not stated).

16 November
(alternate version)

Rail traffic: one train composed of 13 passenger cars and two boxcars moved from Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and returned.

Westbound, Ordubad, Dzhulfa, Nakhichevan: two trains composed of 18 boxcars, one tank car, 30 gondolas, 18 trucks and four automobiles carried on an unstated number of cars, and some wood carried in an unstated number of cars.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: one train composed of 45 boxcars, three gondolas, and 12 tank cars.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: one train composed of two gondolas.

night Seven trains, make-up unknown, moved between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan (direction not stated).

Road traffic: one truck carrying a gun arrived at Dzhulfa coming from Nakhichevan.

18 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Ordubad, Dzhulfa, Nakhichevan: one passenger train composed of 13 passenger cars and one roofed car.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: one train composed of 28 roofed cars, nine tank cars, 20 passenger cars, and 19 gondolas carrying one truck and coal.

Westbound, Ordubad, Dzhulfa, Nakhichevan: one train composed of 10 gondolas loaded with iron and coal, and 15 roofed cars.

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Dzhulfa (cont'd)

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: one crane and one carload of iron and bricks.

Westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 14 roofed cars, one tank car, and three gondolas.

night Nine trains, make-up unknown, moved between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan (direction not stated).

19 November

Rail traffic: one train composed of 13 passenger cars and one roofed car went from Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and returned.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: three trains composed of 45 roofed cars, one tank car, 13 gondolas filled with coal, lumber, iron, bricks, and factory engines and motors.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: one train composed of 29 roofed cars, eight tank cars, and six gondolas.

night Seven trains, make-up unknown, moved between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan (direction not stated).

20 November

Rail traffic: one train composed of 13 passenger cars and one roofed car went from Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and returned.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: one train composed of 29 roofed cars, 23 tank cars, and 11 gondolas loaded with stone and lumber.

Westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: one train composed of nine roofed cars, one tank car, and two gondolas loaded with lumber.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: one train composed of 22 roofed cars and two tank cars.

night Six trains, make-up unknown, moved between Ordubad and Dzhulfa (direction not stated).

21 November

Rail traffic: one train composed of 13 passenger cars and two roofed cars went from Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and returned to Ordubad.

Westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 16 roofed cars and three gondolas loaded with stone.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: one train composed of 20 roofed cars, 15 gondolas, and 14 tank cars.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: two trains composed of 15 roofed cars, five gondolas loaded with iron and lumber, and 17 tank cars.

East and westbound between Dzhulfa and Nakhichevan (specific direction not stated): three trains composed of 66 roofed cars, 55 gondolas, and eight tank cars.

night Six trains, make-up unknown, comprised traffic between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan.

Road traffic: five trucks and 28 carts arrived at Dzhulfa coming from Ordubad.

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Dzhulfa (cont'd)

night Three rockets and several rifle shots were fired at Dzhulfa.

22 and 23 November Rail traffic: two passenger trains composed of 26 passenger cars and two roofed cars went from Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and returned.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: three trains composed of 59 roofed cars, 20 gondolas loaded with 22 trucks and two cranes, and 16 cars loaded with kerosene tanks and coal.

Westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 31 roofed cars, 17 gondolas carrying lumber, one carload of machine tools, and one car loaded with cases.

Westbound, Ordubad, Dzhulfa, Nakhichevan: three trains composed of 49 roofed cars, 20 gondolas, 15 tank cars, two cars loaded with cranes, and one carload of trucks.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: one train composed of 17 roofed cars, 27 gondolas carrying 11 automobiles, five trucks and some cases.

night Sixteen trains, make-up unknown, comprised the total traffic between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan.

24 November Rail traffic: one train composed of 13 passenger cars and one roofed car moved from Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and returned to Ordubad.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: one carload of bricks and stone.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: one train (sic) and one roofed car.

Westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: one train composed of seven roofed cars and four gondolas loaded with four trucks and six kerosene tanks.

night Eight trains, make-up unknown, moved between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan (direction not stated).

25 November Rail traffic: one train composed of 13 passenger cars and one boxcar moved from Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and returned.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: two trains composed of 61 boxcars, 11 tank cars, three gondolas, and one carload of passengers.

Westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: three trains composed of 76 boxcars, three tank cars, 38 gondolas loaded with 23 autos, two trucks, some lumber and coal.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: one train composed of 39 boxcars, two tank cars, four gondolas loaded with a truck and closed cases (as received, cars or cases?).

night Eight trains, make-up unknown, moved between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan (direction not stated).

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Dzhulfa (cont'd)

26 November

Rail traffic: one train composed of 12 passenger cars and one boxcar moved from Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and returned.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: three trains composed of 34 boxcars, one tank car, one passenger car, and twenty gondolas loaded with four jeeps, one truck, wood, lumber, coal, and earth and also carrying a few unarmed soldiers.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 10 boxcars, 11 tank cars, and two gondolas; two trains composed of six tank cars and an unstated number of cars carrying stone, coal, and a few unarmed soldiers.

night Eight trains, make-up unknown, moved between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan (direction not stated).

27 November

Rail traffic: one passenger train composed of 13 passenger cars and one boxcar moved from Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and returned.

Westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 42 boxcars and 22 carloads of coal.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: two trains composed of 53 boxcars, 11 tank cars, 34 gondolas loaded with sand, dry hay, and lumber, plus two locomotives.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: two trains composed of 62 boxcars, two tank cars, one passenger car, three carloads of jeeps, one carload of trucks and a factory motor, and 16 carloads of wood and coal.

night Seven trains, make-up unknown, traveled between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan (direction not stated).

12 December

Rail traffic: one train composed of 13 passenger cars and seven boxcars moved from Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and returned.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: one train composed of 22 boxcars, two carloads of lumber and coal, and two tank cars.

Westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 26 boxcars and three gondolas carrying five trucks, four fuel tanks, and wood posts.

Westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 26 tank cars and four carloads of posts.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 37 boxcars, six gondolas, five tank cars, and an unstated number of cars with lumber.

night Ten trains, make-up unknown, traveled between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan (direction not stated).

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Dzhulfa (cont'd)

13 and 14 December

Rail traffic: two trains composed of 27 passenger cars and two boxcars went from Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and returned.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: two trains with 51 boxcars, 16 gondolas, 10 tank cars, and one train, make-up unknown.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: four trains composed of 57 boxcars, 65 gondolas carrying 14 trucks, 12 fuel tanks, and lumber.

Eastbound, Nakhichevan to Dzhulfa: one train composed of four boxcars and nine gondolas carrying some lumber.

night

Nineteen trains, make-up unknown, traveled between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan (direction not stated).

15 December

Rail traffic: one train composed of 14 passenger cars and one boxcar moved from Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and returned.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: two trains composed of 91 boxcars, 13 tank cars, one passenger car, and 14 carloads of iron and stone.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: two trains composed of 21 boxcars, 29 carloads of lumber, and four tank cars.

night

Thirteen trains, make-up unknown, moved between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan (direction not stated).

16 December

Rail traffic: one train composed of 14 passenger cars and one boxcar went from Ordubad to Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan and returned.

Westbound, Dzhulfa to Nakhichevan: three trains composed of 32 boxcars, 57 gondolas, of which an unstated number were loaded with 33 trucks and some coal.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Ordubad: one train composed of 26 boxcars, six gondolas, and nine tank cars.

Westbound, Ordubad to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 14 boxcars, two tank cars, three gondolas, and four carloads of autos.

night

Nine trains, make-up unknown, traveled between Ordubad, Dzhulfa, and Nakhichevan (direction not stated).

3. Sia Rud
19-22 September

Rail traffic: - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: six trains composed of 34 passenger cars, one tank car, 116 freight cars of which five were loaded with iron tools, 17 were loaded with wood, two were loaded with fire wood, three were loaded with coal, three were loaded with trucks, four were empty; loads of the remainder were unknown.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: 12 trains composed of 65 passenger cars, 55 tank cars, three carloads of fire wood, four carloads of iron and iron tools, 11 carloads of wood and wood posts, one carload of bricks, one carload of pipe, four carloads of autos, one crane, one tractor, and 236 closed cars.

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Sia Rud (cont'd)

3-5 October

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: seven trains composed of 163 freight cars, 21 gondolas, six carloads of coal, nine tank cars, seven cars of wood, four carloads of iron equipment, 38 passenger cars, three carloads of sand, two cranes, and an unspecified number of covered cars. Four locomotives going east also passed Sia Rud.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: eight trains composed of 39 private passenger cars (sic), 52 freight cars, 10 carloads of wood and timber, eight carloads of coal, 10 carloads of freight, three carloads of wood, an unspecified number of covered cars, eight trucks and one tractor carried on an unstated number of cars. One locomotive going west also passed Sia Rud.

9 October

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: eight trains composed of 12 passenger cars, 20 freight cars, seven carloads of chopped wood and kerosene containers, and an unstated number of closed cars.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: one 12-car passenger train and one other train composed of 51 empty cars, 11 carloads of stone, four tank cars, three carloads of water pumps, two carloads of machine tools, two boxcars, and five carloads of lumber.

10 October

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 40 freight cars, one passenger car, 11 carloads of chopped wood, one carload of coal, one carload of trucks, and an unstated number of closed cars.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: one locomotive with two passenger cars.

19 - 21 October

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: six trains composed of 29 passenger cars, 163 freight cars, 33 carloads of stone, six carloads of water pumps, 11 empty gondolas, four carloads of boxes, one carload of coal, six carloads of jeeps, and an undisclosed number of closed cars.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: seven trains composed of 37 passenger cars, 290 freight cars, five carloads of wood, eight carloads of trucks, nine carloads of lumber, 12 carloads of stones, 11 tank cars, two carloads of logs, one carload of iron equipment, and an unstated number of closed cars.

24 - 26 October

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: ten trains composed of 38 passenger cars, 256 freight cars, one carload of stones, 52 carloads of lumber, seven carloads of kerosene, 16 carloads of coal, four carloads of trucks, eight carloads of autos, three carloads of iron materials and equipment, one switch engine pulling a freight car, and one car carrying an automobile.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: seven trains composed of 29 passenger cars, 215 freight cars, 29 empty gondolas, seven carloads of civilians, 10 tank cars, two carloads of water pumps, three carloads of logs, two carloads of wood, plus one single locomotive.

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21 - 23 October

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: seven trains composed of two carloads of stone, 40 carloads of passengers, 103 freight cars, 39 tank cars, 17 autos and four trucks carried on an unstated number of cars, four carloads of iron tools, five carloads of coal, four carloads of wood and posts, four carloads of lumber, two freight cars, one carload of iron instruments, plus two locomotives.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: five trains composed of 37 passenger cars, 105 freight cars, five tank cars, three trucks carried in an unstated number of cars, two carloads of iron tools.

28 October

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: three trains composed of 12 passenger cars, 72 freight cars, one carload of water pumps, one tank car, plus a locomotive.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: three trains composed of 13 passenger cars, 38 freight cars, five carloads of wood, four carloads of coal, three tractors on an unstated number of cars.

29 October

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: three trains composed of 13 passenger cars, 58 freight cars, five carloads of coal, 12 carloads of wood and posts, four empty gondolas.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku (as received, probably should read westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa): two trains composed of 13 passenger cars, 43 freight cars, four tank cars, and two carloads of cases.

30 and 31 October

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: five trains composed of 65 freight cars, 17 carloads of wood, posts, fire wood, two trucks, and a jeep, 25 passenger cars, and six carloads of iron tools.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: four trains composed of 27 passenger cars, 103 freight cars, 10 gondolas, four tank cars, four carloads of iron instruments, and one car loaded with a truck.

1 and 2 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: four trains composed of 26 passenger cars, 27 closed cars, 56 boxcars, five carloads of lumber, five motors and one truck carried in an unstated number of cars, and 16 empty gondolas.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: six trains composed of 116 freight cars, 24 passenger cars, nine tank cars, five carloads of lime, one carload of iron (sic) instruments, one locomotive.

3 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: three trains composed of 67 boxcars, four tank cars, three carloads of fire wood, 19 passenger cars, four carloads of wood and posts, five carloads of coal, 10 carloads of lime, two tractors and five trucks carried on an unstated number of cars.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: two trains composed of 12 passenger cars, 63 freight cars, 20 empty gondolas, two tank cars, one locomotive.

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4 November

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: three trains composed of 78 boxcars, five gondolas loaded with wooden posts, and 15 passenger cars.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 13 passenger cars, 101 freight cars, six gondolas, and one tank car.

5 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 12 passenger cars, 21 freight cars, 19 covered cars, and one carload of coal.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: two trains composed of 17 freight cars, 24 covered cars, 12 tank cars, 11 gondolas, and 11 passenger cars.

6 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: three trains composed of 13 passenger cars, 76 freight cars, 37 covered cars, six tank cars, 33 gondolas carrying seven automobiles and coal.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: two trains composed of 13 passenger cars, 42 covered cars, three tank cars, and two empty gondolas.

7 November

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: two trains composed of 13 passenger cars, 54 covered freight cars, 21 tank cars, 12 gondolas of wooden posts.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: three trains composed of 92 freight cars, 66 covered cars, 17 empty gondolas, nine tank cars, and 15 passenger cars.

8 November

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: one train composed of 51 freight cars, 29 covered cars, 15 gondolas, and six tank cars; one train composed of 12 passenger cars.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 14 passenger cars, 35 freight cars, 20 covered cars, 15 empty gondolas, and a car carrying a crane.

9 and 10 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: six trains composed of 28 passenger cars, 165 freight cars, 89 covered cars, 65 tank cars, 39 gondolas loaded with posts, wood, and coal.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: four trains composed of 27 carloads of passengers, 98 freight cars, 60 covered cars, 26 tank cars, 12 carloads of stone, and one carload of wooden cases.

11 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: three trains composed of 52 freight cars, 74 covered cars, four tank cars, 23 gondolas loaded with four trucks and wood posts, and one empty gondola.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: two trains composed of 15 passenger cars, 31 freight cars, 30 carloads of civilians, and one empty gondola.

12 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 13 passenger cars, 38 boxcars, three tank cars, 35 gondolas loaded with wooden posts and two trucks; two locomotives.

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Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: two trains composed of 12 passenger cars, 110 boxcars, six tank cars, and eight gondolas one of which carried an automobile.

13 November Rail traffic- eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: two trains composed of 14 passenger cars, 115 freight cars, 12 empty gondolas, and seven tank cars.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 12 passenger cars.

14 November Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: three trains composed of 88 freight cars, 24 gondolas (four autos were carried as part of the load), and 23 passenger cars.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: one train composed of 53 freight cars and 11 gondolas (seven automobiles were part of the load).

15 November Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: one passenger train of 15 cars and two trains composed of 74 freight cars among which were observed one carload of iron tools, two trucks, one fuel tank, 10 carloads of wood and posts; the remainder of the cars were covered.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: two trains composed of 12 passenger cars, nine tank cars, eight carloads of stone, one carload of iron tools, two empty gondolas, and 28 covered cars.

16 November Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 40 cars, 34 of which were full of soldiers, and two trains composed of 13 passenger cars, eight freight cars, four carloads of lumber, and two carloads of coal.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: two trains composed of 13 passenger cars, 67 freight cars, 17 tank cars, and three carloads of earth, plus three locomotives.

15 and 16 November (alternate version of the above two days) Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: six trains composed of 28 passenger cars, 131 freight cars, 27 tank cars, five covered cars, and 47 gondolas loaded with 19 trucks, five automobiles, and two motors.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: four trains composed of 25 passenger cars, 43 freight cars, 43 covered cars, 36 tank cars, three empty gondolas, and nine carloads of stone.

17 November Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: 58 freight cars, 14 tank cars, four gondolas (three automobiles were part of the load), six carloads of lime, and 113 passenger cars. The number of trains was not stated.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: two trains composed of 13 passenger cars, 95 freight cars, five tank cars, and 26 empty gondolas.

17 November (alternate version) Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: two trains composed of 110 freight cars, among which were observed 10 carloads of civilians, two carloads of soldiers, 10 carloads of kerosene barrels, 30 carloads of men, women, and children, and 60 closed cars.

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Sia Rud (cont'd)

18 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: four trains composed of 25 passenger cars, 81 freight cars, six gondolas of wood and wooden posts, one tank car.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: one train composed of 65 freight cars, one tank car, six gondolas, and an unstated number of carloads of stone.

19 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 13 passenger cars, 31 freight cars, 25 covered cars, three tank cars, and three carloads of wood and posts.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: two trains composed of 14 passenger cars, 41 freight cars, two covered cars, three tank cars, three carloads of posts and wood, a crane, and a carload of chipped stone.

20 November

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: three trains composed of 25 passenger cars, eight freight cars, 30 covered cars, 21 tank cars, nine carloads of posts and wood, two locomotives with cars (one of which was covered), three gondolas loaded with iron tools.

21 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 13 passenger cars, 41 freight cars, 21 covered cars, three carloads of kerosene, 17 gondolas carrying seven automobiles as part of their load.

Eastbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: three trains composed of 110 freight cars, 19 tank cars, 13 passenger cars, 22 gondolas of which six were loaded with coal and the rest were empty.

22 and 23 November

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: five trains composed of 23 passenger cars, 114 freight cars, 101 covered cars, 90 tank cars, 34 empty gondolas, and eight factory motors in an unstated number of cars.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: five trains composed of 27 freight cars, three tank cars, 43 covered cars, one carload of wood and posts, and eight gondolas carrying eight automobiles.

24 November

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: one train composed of 13 freight cars, 27 covered cars, five tank cars, 22 gondolas loaded with boxes, wood, and iron tools.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 36 freight cars, 28 covered cars, one tank car, seven gondolas loaded with four automobiles.

25 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: three trains composed of three tank cars, 18 gondolas carrying three trucks and 12 autos, and 13 passenger cars.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: two trains composed of 14 passenger cars, three covered cars and 37 empty gondolas.

26 November

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: three trains composed of 13 passenger cars, 13 gondolas loaded with posts and stone, 10 tank cars, and 68 covered cars.

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Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 18 covered cars, eight tank cars, and two empty gondolas.

27 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 13 passenger cars, 22 freight cars, 26 covered cars, and six tank cars.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: three trains composed of 53 covered cars, nine tank cars, 10 carloads of wood and posts, 28 gondolas loaded with fruit baskets, and 11 passenger cars.

28 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 14 passenger cars, 23 covered cars, one tank car, and 17 carloads of wood, posts, and coal.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: three trains composed of 14 passenger cars, 61 covered cars, eight tank cars, and 34 empty gondolas.

10 - 14 December

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: 12 trains composed of 141 covered cars, 23 tank cars, 100 gondolas, some of which were empty and some of which were loaded with lumber and wood, plus four locomotives.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: nine trains composed of 128 freight cars, 53 covered cars, 47 gondolas loaded with three autos, coal, lumber, and wood posts, and 59 tank cars.

10 December

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hours

Opposite the Iranian border post of Moin (not located) 20 boxes, which resembled cartridge boxes, were transported to the village of Astarz (Astara?) by donkey train accompanied by about 70 civilians.

15 December

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 53 freight cars, six covered cars, 10 tank cars, 23 gondolas among which were observed seven autos.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: three trains composed of 14 passenger cars, 92 covered cars, 24 tank cars, 11 empty gondolas, plus two locomotives.

4. Khuda Aferin

21 and 22 September

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: five trains composed of eight carloads of tools and instruments, seven carloads of coal, two tank cars, 87 empty gondolas, one car loaded with a bus, 13 passenger cars, 33 gondolas, and 10 carloads of wood.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: one train composed of six gondolas loaded with stone.

night

Four trains, make-up unknown, from Baku to Dzhulfa.

23 September

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: one train composed of 12 passenger cars and one boxcar.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 28 boxcars, 25 gondolas, six carloads of wood, four carloads of coal, three carloads of stone, four carloads of boxes, two carloads of machines and tools, two carloads of bricks, and three tank cars.

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Khuda Afarin (cont'd)

26 September

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: one train composed of 13 passenger cars and one boxcar.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 31 boxcars, six carloads of wood, one carload of trucks, four carloads of agricultural machinery, one carload of cranes, two carloads of boxes, two empty gondolas, and one tank car.

night

Two passenger and two freight trains, breakdowns not given, from Baku to Dzhulfa.

10 October

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: two freight trains composed of two locomotives, 36 freight cars which were covered, and 13 passenger cars.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 18 freight cars, 25 gondolas, 2 carloads of machine tools, two boxcars, and five carloads of lumber.

18 October

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: two trains composed of 35 freight cars, and 12 passenger cars.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 36 carloads of sand, 11 tank cars, and 15 boxcars.

19 - 23 October

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: 10 trains composed of 147 freight cars, 49 tank cars, 47 gondolas, one carload of iron pipes, 30 carloads of bricks, 14 tractors, 13 carloads of wire, 19 carloads of wood, two carloads of cement, one carload of cases, two carloads of trucks, eight autos on an unstated number of cars.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: four trains composed of 38 carloads of kerosene, four carloads of lumber, one carload of furniture, 49 passenger cars, one carload of foodstuffs, 63 gondolas, 112 freight cars, one carload of boxes, five carloads of foodstuffs, one carload of trucks, and 14 empty cars.

28 - 31 October

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: five trains composed of 30 carloads of earth, 43 freight cars, 13 passenger cars, 10 carloads of coal, two carloads of wood, 12 carloads of stone, two carloads of lumber, 17 carloads of iron, one carload of boxes, and three cars, with sides on the roof (sic).

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: eight trains composed of 168 freight cars, 50 gondolas, 26 passenger cars, 13 carloads of foodstuffs, four tank cars, and 12 carloads of iron.

2 and 3 November

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: four trains composed of 38 freight cars, 17 tank cars, 14 gondolas, five carloads of cases, two automobiles on an unstated number of cars, eight carloads of trucks, three carloads of fire wood, and five carloads of machine tools.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: three trains composed of two carloads of foodstuffs, 28 freight cars, two carloads of wood, six carloads of lumber, seven carloads of coal, two carloads of kerosene and a tractor, and several passenger cars.

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Khuda Afarin (cont'd)

4 and 5 November

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: three trains composed of 56 freight cars and 49 gondola cars; two passenger trains, breakdown not given; two trains composed of nine freight cars, 28 gondolas, three tank cars, and two carloads of lumber.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 30 carloads of earth; four trains composed of 110 freight cars, 20 tank cars, 17 gondolas, one carload of coal, 12 carloads of wood, two carloads of lumber, and two carloads of cases; two passenger trains, breakdown not given.

6 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: one passenger train, breakdown not given; one train composed of 15 freight cars, one carload of tubes (sic), one carload of wood, 10 carloads of lumber, three carloads of machinery and tools and two cranes.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: one passenger train composed of 13 passenger cars and two carloads of foodstuffs; one train, composition unknown.

7 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 28 freight cars, five gondolas, two carloads of lumber, one carload of bricks, two carloads of boxes, and several passenger cars.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: three trains composed of nine freight cars, 26 gondolas, three tank cars, 11 passenger cars, and two carloads of foodstuffs.

8 and 9 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: five trains composed of 14 carloads of stone, 19 carloads of timber, one carload of cranes, 20 carloads of coal, 34 gondolas, four carloads of sand.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: three trains composed of 22 gondolas, two carloads of cases, nine freight cars, 25 passenger cars, and four carloads of foodstuffs.

9 November

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hours

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: three trains composed of 68 tank cars and 46 autos and 16 trucks carried on an unstated number of cars.

10 November

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: two trains composed of 36 freight cars, 11 carloads of coal, one carload of cases, one passenger car, 11 carloads of wood, and three gondolas.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: two trains composed of four freight cars, 15 gondolas, 12 tank cars, 12 passenger cars, and three carloads of foodstuffs.

11 November

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: three trains composed of 12 passenger cars, one carload of foodstuffs, 43 freight cars, 36 gondolas, and 24 tank cars.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 26 carloads of stone.

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Khuda Afarin (cont'd)

12 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: three trains composed of four carloads of iron, 59 gondolas, 19 tank cars, 46 freight cars (two trucks were observed as being part of the load), three carloads of lumber, seven carloads of coal, and one carload of passengers.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: one train composed of 43 freight cars, four tank cars, 15 gondolas, and one carload of trucks.

13 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: two trains (one of them a passenger train) composed of three freight cars, one crane, eight carloads of wood, two carloads of coal, 17 gondolas, and six automobiles carried in an unstated number of cars. The number of passenger cars is unknown.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: two trains composed of 31 freight cars, 28 gondolas, three carloads of cases, three tank cars, two carloads of foodstuffs, and 12 passenger cars.

14 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 33 freight cars, one carload of cranes, six carloads of coal, five carloads of wood, a carload of cases and a crane.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: one train composed of 14 passenger cars.

15 November

Rail traffic-eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: two trains composed of 11 freight cars, 11 gondolas, and seven tank cars.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: two trains, one of which was a passenger train pulling an unstated number of cars including 15 boxcars, seven carloads of wood, two carloads of instruments and tools, and one tank car.

16 November

Rail traffic, eastbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of two carloads of foodstuffs and 13 passenger cars.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 51 carloads of stone and one passenger train, number of cars not stated.

15 and 16 November
(alternate version)

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: six trains composed of 136 gondolas, 176 freight cars, five carloads of cases, 24 passenger cars, a carload of iron tools, and three carloads of foodstuffs.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: three trains composed of 37 gondolas, three carloads of instruments, six trucks, 37 carloads of coal, 30 freight cars, and eight automobiles carried on an unstated number of cars.

17 November

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: three trains composed of 57 freight cars, 25 gondolas, 51 tank cars, 11 passenger cars, and three carloads of foodstuffs and supplies.

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Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: two trains composed of 28 freight cars, two carloads of wood, seven carloads of coal, six carloads of cases, and an unstated number of passenger cars.

18 November

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: 14 passenger cars, 21 tank cars, three carloads of assorted tools, 21 gondolas, 60 freight cars, seven carloads of stone, and one carload of boxes; the number of trains was not stated.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 16 tank cars, one water tank car, 15 carloads of sand, and five freight cars.

19 November

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: three trains composed of 30 tank cars, 35 gondolas, two carloads of iron, four carloads of machines, 59 freight cars, one carload of machine tools, two carloads of boxes, and 13 passenger cars.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: one train with one crane, two freight cars, and one locomotive.

20 November

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: four trains composed of 12 carloads of cases, 31 gondolas, one carload of machine tools, 69 freight cars, three tank cars, three carloads of iron and boxes, one carload of earth, and 14 passenger cars.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: one gondola car and one crane were observed.

21 and 22 November

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: two trains composed of 15 gondolas, six tank cars, 25 freight, and 14 passenger cars.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 14 carloads of machines, one passenger car, 14 gondolas loaded with coal and wood, one carload of automobiles, and one carload of machine tools; two trains composed of 35 freight cars, 19 gondolas, (four trucks were observed as part of the load), and nine carloads of iron.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: five trains composed of 70 gondolas, 29 passenger cars, 67 freight cars which were covered, and three tank cars.

24 and 25 November

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: five trains composed of 43 gondolas, nine tank cars, 94 freight cars, 29 passenger cars, 12 carloads of cases, one carload of machine tools, three carloads of iron and cases, and one carload of earth.

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Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 16 passenger cars, four gondolas, and one carload of machines and tools.

26 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 32 freight cars, 16 tank cars, five gondolas loaded with bags and iron.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: three trains composed of 108 freight cars, 15 carloads of kerosene, nine carloads of bags, two carloads of cases, and 14 passenger cars.

27 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 21 freight cars and 10 gondolas.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: two trains composed of 27 cars loaded with wood, coal, and two autos, two carloads of autos, 33 tank cars, 14 carloads of iron, 14 carloads of wood and lime.

28 November

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: three trains composed of 30 freight cars, six tank cars, 46 freight cars loaded with civilians, and 13 passenger cars.

12 December

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: three trains composed of 36 gondolas, 29 freight cars, 13 passenger cars, one carload of iron pipe, and four tank cars.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 22 freight cars and nine gondolas (one auto was part of the load).

13 and 14 December

Rail traffic - eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: six trains composed of 98 freight cars, 61 gondolas, 19 tank cars, and 26 passenger cars.

Westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 18 freight cars, seven tank cars, 20 gondolas carrying six trucks and some wood and coal.

15 December

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: one train composed of 21 freight cars, and 14 gondolas loaded with wood and coal.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: two trains composed of 46 freight cars, eight gondolas, five tank cars, and 14 passenger cars.

16 December

Rail traffic - westbound, Baku to Dzhulfa: three trains composed of 59 carloads of trucks, 65 gondolas loaded with wood, coal, iron, lumber, and a crane, and two tank cars.

Eastbound, Dzhulfa to Baku: one train composed of 13 passenger cars, and one boxcar.

5. Garmi
24 September

0800-
1800
hours

Soviet soldiers at the Soviet frontier post of Dizdarvi opposite the Iranian guard post of Umstan (possibly Umaschan) practiced mortar firing.

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During the same period of time, 16 soldiers mounted on horseback, 25 soldiers on foot, and a jeep entered the above post. The jeep left the post shortly after its arrival to return whence it came.

10 October

Soviet patrol activity and traffic has increased in the area.

20 October

The commanding officer and the personnel of the Soviet frontier post at Asadlu opposite Iranian Asadlu has recently been changed.

Three civilians and three Soviet soldiers surveyed a stretch of the Araxes River bank at a point opposite the spot where the river curves towards Iranian Hassan-Khanlu.

Opposite the point where the Soviets engaged in surveying, the Iranians had run a survey for the purpose of possible construction of a dike. Should the Soviets decide to build a dike at the point where they ran their survey, the waters of the Araxes would flow towards the Iranian border and Hassan-Khanlu would be inundated.

26 October

Beginning on this date, the Soviets started to paint the metal roofs of the border posts of Pirmatch, Dizdarvi, Asadlu, and Ishikchi a greyish-black color. Near the Dizdarvi post a small valley has been destroyed by dynamiting.

1600
hours

One jeep carrying two officers and three soldiers arrived at the Dizdarvi post and, after staying a minute, returned to the place whence it came.

1615
hours

A reconnaissance plane circled the Soviet post of Asadlu three times and then flew off in a direction behind the post.

1800
hours

Another jeep and a truck arrived at the Dizdarvi post. The jeep entered the post proper but the truck parked near the watch tower.

1800
hours

Two trucks (contents unidentified because of darkness) arrived at the Pirmatch post and then returned to the place whence they came.

27 October

night

Two trucks moved from Lakin (39-07N, 48-14E) to Tarazan, (previously reported as Trarzan) and one jeep and a truck were observed coming from the direction of Belyasuvor toward Tarazan.

30 October

The Soviets used three tractors to plow the area near the Soviet posts of Lakin and Ishikchi.

(Specific date not given)

Barbed wire was being laid along the frontier by the Soviets from Karabulagh towards Tulun. Installation of the wire has progressed as far as the Soviet post of Jegir, which lies behind the mountain of Moghan, east of Tulun.

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Since 27 October
(Specific dates not
given)

Soviets have increased their activities in the vicinity of Seyed Baglu and on the heights of Kanni Bulagh. Eight officers and a group of Soviet soldiers have run explorations and telescopic observations of Iranian territory along the border and on the heights of Kanni Bulagh behind the hills of Mazargir and Akhurdash. While engaged in this activity, which possibly was a survey, the detachment stayed at the Soviet post of Dinan (possibly Daman 38-51N, 48-03E).

7 November night

Two trucks arrived at the post of Asadlu where they unloaded their contents (unknown) and then returned to their place of departure, which is unknown.

There was a marked increase in patrol activities. The frontier was under constant patrol by foot patrols, mounted patrols, or vehicle patrols. On some occasions patrols were observed wearing helmets. Along the banks of the Bolgar Chai the patrols were accompanied by dogs.

12 November

There was a noticeable increase in activities in this sector. Soviet patrols, on foot and on horseback, were observed in constant movement along the border. Personnel strength of the Soviet posts in this sector has been increased. The number of patrols has been increased.

15 November

A number of armed Soviet soldiers endeavored to renew the plowed furrow along the frontier for the purpose of making this one apparent border between Belyasuvar and Hassan-Khanlu. This action was probably taken to confuse the border commission which was in that area to negotiate the question of the Soviet-Iranian border.

1130
hours
(sic)

Soviet searchlights were played upon the Iranian post of Asadlu from the Soviet post of Lakin. In addition to this event, the Soviets played searchlights over Iranian villages and territory in the area. The Iranian Border Guard Commissar lodged a strong protest with his Soviet opposite number.

17 November

A meeting was held between Iranian and Soviet border guard officers to settle the dispute arising over Soviet plowing of the furrow on 15 November. The Soviets agreed to discontinue the plowing.

19 November

Road traffic: one truck carrying 13 soldiers and two officers arrived at the Asadlu post coming from Lakin.

Two trucks went from Lakin to Belyasuvar and after an hour returned to Lakin.

About 80 women near the post of Asadlu sprayed poison into rodent holes along the frontier.

24 November

In the woods opposite the Iranian border post of Asadlu the Soviets practiced target shooting and also artillery practice. Sounds of shells were heard at half hour intervals.

28 November

The Soviets have recently been building a road for motor traffic between the border posts of Afcheh (possibly Achtche, 39-10N, 48-25E) and Dizdarvi.

12 December

Recently, since the United Nations forces have fallen back in Korea, secret propaganda activities have commenced in the border areas.

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6. Namin

20 September

Soldiers at the Soviet posts of Leji and Kaluz(not located) practiced rifle firing.

Road traffic: three carts moved from Kalaputi to Kizilissa (38-33N, 48-30E) and a truck bearing a small motorcycle arrived at Sholecheran where the motorcycle was unloaded and sent to Omstomnok *****

21 September

There was rifle firing practice at the Soviet posts of Leji, Kalaputi, and Kizilissa.

Road traffic: one truck loaded with boxes arrived at Kalaputi. Two carts moved from Kalaputi to Kizilissa. One truck loaded with a motorcycle and one jeep moved from Kaluz village to the Kaluz guard post. Two carts started from Abivardarreh for Dashbulagh.

There was routine patrol activity.

22 September

There was routine patrol activity.

Road traffic: one car went from Leji (not located) to Kalaputi (38-48N, 48-25E), one cart moved from Kalaputi to Leji. Two carts moved from Kalaputi to Omstomnok. Two trucks went from Qishlag (38-43N, 48-20E) to Abivardarreh.

25 September

There was rifle firing practice at the Leji post.

Road traffic: Two trucks loaded with foodstuffs arrived at Kalaputi coming from Kizilissa. Two trucks loaded with flour left Omstomnok and moved toward Kalaputi. Two trucks went from Omstomnok to Gaduk (38-35N, 48-20E). One truck went from Qishlag to Abivardarreh. One jeep carrying two officers arrived at the Sholecheran post and then returned whence it came.

There was routine patrol activity

27 September

In front of Gaduk and in the direction of the guard post of Khuda Afarin the Soviet soldiers placed wooded posts for the stringing of barbed wire.

Road traffic: one jeep moved from the village of Kaluz to the Kaluz post. Two trucks moved from Qishlag toward Tazakend.*****

3 and 4 October

Road traffic: from the Iranian post at Minavar (38-27N, 48-33E), one horsedrawn cart was observed going from Leji to Kalaputi.

From the Iranian post of Buzardjomehri, seven carts were observed going from Leji to Kalaputi.

One truck went from Kizilissa to Kalaputi. A rocket was fired at Kalaputi upon the arrival of the truck.

At the Iranian post of Anbaran one truck was seen to arrive at Kizilissa coming from Omstomnok.

At the Iranian post of Fateh Maksud one jeep carrying four Soviet officers, one truck carrying 10 Soviet soldiers, and two trucks were observed going from Sholecheran to Omstomnok.

At the post of Sadafarin one truck and one cart were observed going from the village of Cloose to the Soviet post of Cloose.

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Nazim (cont'd)

Date not given At the Iranian post of Atutan firing was heard coming from the direction of Cloose. The firing continued for three hours.

Date not given Trenches were dug at Sholecheran.

9 October Road traffic: two carts moved from Leji toward Reza Baghi. Two carts went from Kalaputi toward Omstomnok. One jeep arrived at the Cloose post from Cloose village. One truck went from Hishlag toward Rezakandi. One jeep arrived at Hishlag from Rezakandi. One jeep and a gun drawn by mules arrived at Kalaputi coming from Kizilissa. One jeep went from Omstomnok toward Kalaputi. One truck arrived at the Sholecheran post from Gaduk; the soldiers of this post were also observed digging trenches.

19 October There was rifle and machine gun firing practice at the post of Sholecheran.

There was routine patrol activity.

Two trucks moved from Hishlag to Abivardarreh.

20 October Road traffic: one car loaded with straw moved toward the post at Omstomnok. One truck went from Gaduk village to Sholecheran. Two trucks went from Kaluz village to the Kaluz post. Two trucks arrived at Kaluz from Hishlag.

Behind the guard post of Leji, Soviet soldiers were busy digging up the ground using tractors to aid them in this task.

There was routine patrol activity.

21 October 1800 hours A mortar and a bazooka were installed 500 meters away from the Kaluz post.

There was machine gun firing practice at the Karabeg post (Karabeig or Charabeik).

A Soviet plane coming from the direction of Astara flew to within 900 meters of the post of Leji and then turned and flew back in the direction from which it had come.

24 October Road traffic: three carts went from Kalaputi to Leji. Two trucks loaded with wooden boxes and large iron sheets arrived at Kalaputi where their contents were unloaded. One empty truck went from Omstomnok to Kizilissa; four trucks went from Gaduk to Omstomnok. One truck arrived at the Dashbulagh post.

Twelve soldiers set up a heavy machine gun at Cloose.

27 October Road traffic: four trucks moved from Gaduk to Omstomnok. One truck went from Kaluz village to the Kaluz post. One truck arrived at the Mallayurd border post (possibly the previously reported Marajurt post).

There was target practice at the Leji post.

There was routine patrol activity.

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28 and 29 October

Road traffic: two trucks arrived at Qishlag from Anburdarreh (probably Anbardara, 38-40N, 48-16E). One truck went from Omstomnok to Gaduk. Two trucks went from Qishlag to Anburdarreh. Two trucks arrived at the Kaluz post. One cart went from Leji to the Reza Baghi post. Two trucks and three jeeps went from Kizilissa to the post of Kalaputi. Two trucks went from Gaduk to Sholecheran. One jeep and a truck-load of potatoes went from Gaduk to Omstomnok. One jeep and one truck went from Qishlag to Tazakend. Four carts went from Kalaputi to Leji. Three trucks went from Omstomnok to Kalaputi. One jeep went from Omstomnok to Anburdarreh.

Mortars were fired at the post of Karabeg.

There was routine patrol activity.

30 October

One truck went from Gaduk to Sholecheran.

A white rocket was fired at the post of Qishlag.

There was routine patrol activity.

31 October

One jeep arrived at Tazakend coming from Qishlag.

There was routine activity.

1 November

There was routine patrol activity between the Soviet posts.

Road traffic: one truck and two jeeps moved from Omstomnok to the village of Gaduk. One truck arrived at the post of Kaluz from the village of Kaluz.

2 and 3 November

Patrol activity was increased at the Soviet posts.

Road traffic: one truck went from Kaluz village to the Soviet post of Kaluz.

One truck drove from Omstomnok to Gaduk.

Six trucks drove from the village of Gaduk to the post of Kaluz.

4 November

Road traffic: one truck and one horsedrawn cart went from Gaduk to the Sholecheran guard post. Three truck loads of telegraph poles went from the village of Kaluz to the post at Kaluz. Two trucks drove from Qishlag to Anburdarreh.

There was routine patrol activity at the Soviet posts.

5 November

Road traffic: one jeep and one truck went from Gaduk to Omstomnok. Two jeeps went from Kaluz to Anburdarreh. One truck arrived at the Soviet post of Mallayurd.

Four Soviet officers practiced pistol firing at the post of Sadafarin.

There was routine patrol activity.

6 November

There was routine patrol activity.

Road traffic: two carts went from Leji toward Arzabaghi (Reza Baghi?). One jeep went from Qishlag toward Tazakend.

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7 November Road traffic: one truckload of ammunition arrived at the Soviet post at Kizilissa. One jeep went from Omstomnok toward Gaduk. Two jeeps went from Gaduk to Kaluz. Two trucks traveled from Qishlag to Tazakend.

There was routine patrol activity.

8 November Road traffic: one empty truck went from Kalaputi to Kizilissa. One jeep went from Gaduk to Omstomnok. One truck went from Qishlag to Tazakend.

There was routine patrol activity.

9 November Twenty explosions were heard at the Leji post.

There was rifle firing practice at the Kaluz post.

Two carts went from Kizilissa to Kalaputi.

There was routine patrol activity.

10 November The roaring of guns was heard coming from the Leji post.

Grenade throwing practice was held at Kalaputi while at Omstomnok rifle firing practice took place.

One truck went from Gaduk to Omstomnok and one jeep went from Kaluz village to the Kaluz post.

One white rocket was fired at the post of Anburdarreh.

There was routine patrol activity.

11 November Two rockets, red and white, were fired at the Kalaputi post.

There was routine patrol activity.

Road traffic: two trucks, one of them loaded with stoves, went from Gaduk to Omstomnok. Two trucks went from Qishlag to Tazakend.

12 November Road traffic: four carts went from Kizilissa to Kalaputi. One truck went from the village of Kaluz to the Kaluz border post. One jeep went from Kaluz to the post of Tazakend.

Soviets laid barbed wire fronting the Fateh Maksud post.

There was routine patrol activity.

13 November Road traffic: two carts from Reza Baghi and four carts from Kalaputi arrived at Kizilissa.

Eight white rockets were fired at the Leji post.

Telephone wiring was installed at the Sholecheran post by four Soviet soldiers.

There was routine patrol activity.

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14 November

Road traffic: one cart from Kalaputi to Leji; four carts from Kalaputi to Kizilissa; two trucks from Gaduk to Omstomnok; one truck from Kaluz village to Kaluz post; one jeep from Farzi Kandi to Qishlag; and one truck from Farzi Kandi to Karabeg.

The Soviets razed the watch tower of Qishlag which is located northwest of the Soviet post of Antutan.

Road markers and signs existing for the convenience of road traffic and patrols along the road running in front of the Anbaran post were removed and placed on a hill adjacent to the Anbaran post.

There was routine patrol activity.

15 November

Road traffic: two carts from Kizilissa to Kalaputi; one truck from Gaduk village to Gaduk guard post; one truck from Kizilissa to Tazakend; three carts from Kalaputi to Leji; three carts from Kalaputi to Kizilissa and Omstomnok; one truck from Gaduk to Omstomnok; one jeep from Gaduk to Sholecheran; one truck from the Kaluz post to the village of Gaduk; one truck from Tazakend toward Anburdarreh.

There was routine patrol activity.

16 November

Road traffic: three carts from Kalaputi to Leji; one truck from Kizilissa to Kalaputi; one jeep arrived at Kizilissa from Kalaputi; four trucks and one jeep from Gaduk to Sholecheran; one truck arrived at the Dash Bulagh post coming from Gaduk.

Trenches were dug at the post of Sholecheran.

Two white rockets were fired at the posts of Qishlag.

There was routine patrol activity.

17 November

Military exercises were conducted at Sholecheran; 20 rockets were fired during the problem.

Ten soldiers took part in rifle target practice at the Sadafarin post.

There was routine patrol activity.

One white rocket was fired at the Kaluz post.

Road traffic: two carts loaded with wood and two empty carts went from Kalaputi to Kizilissa. Two carts from Omstomnok to Kalaputi; one jeep carrying three officers from Gaduk to Sholecheran; one truck from Kaluz village to Kaluz post.

1500
hours

Thirteen soldiers with ten heavy machine guns and two mortars arrived at the Kaluz post from Anburdarreh.

16 and 17 November
(alternate version)

Road traffic: six carts from Kalaputi to Leji; one jeep from Kizilissa to Kalaputi; one jeep from the village of Kaluz to the post of Kaluz; one truck from Gaduk to Sholecheran; one jeep from lower Qishlag to upper Qishlag.

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18 November

Road traffic: three jeeps from Gaduk to Omstomnok; one truck from Kaluz village to Kaluz post; one jeep from Gaduk to Kaluz; three truckloads of soldiers arrived at the post of Sholecheran; one cart from Leji to Reza Baghi; three trucks loaded with foodstuffs from Kizilissa to Kalaputi; four trucks from Omstomnok to Kizilissa; two trucks from Gaduk village to Sholecheran.

One white rocket was fired at Kaluz.

There was routine patrol activity at the posts in this sector.

19 November

Road traffic: one truck went from Kalaputi to Kizilissa; one jeep went from Gaduk to Omstomnok; one truck load of foodstuffs went to the post of Kizilissa; one truck loaded with barbed wire moved from Kaluz village to the post of Kaluz; two trucks went from Qishlag to Anburdarreh.

There was routine patrol activity.

1600
hours

Two Soviet planes coming from the direction of Astara flew to within 300 meters of the Leji post. In what may have been anti-aircraft practice ten shots were fired toward the planes.

20 November

Road traffic: one truck reached Sholecheran from the village of Gaduk; one truck arrived at the Anburdarreh post coming from Qishlag.

There was routine patrol activity.

21 November

Road traffic: one jeep went from Kaluz to Anburdarreh.

Bad weather hindered observation of the posts in this sector but observers stated that routine patrol activity took place.

22 November

One truck went from Anburdarreh to Farzi Kandi.

Bad weather conditions still persisted but routine patrol continued.

23 and 24 November

Road traffic: one truck loaded with firewood arrived at Sholecheran coming from Qishlag. One truck arrived at Anburdarreh coming from Qishlag.

Heavy fog and snowfall prevented observation of the posts in the area although observers state that active patrolling was carried out at the posts of this area.

25 November

There was light machine gun practice at the Kalaputi post.

One truck arrived at Sholecheran coming from Gaduk.

There was routine patrol activity.

26 November

One truck arrived at the Sholecheran post from Gaduk; one truck arrived at Anburdarreh from Qishlag.

There was routine patrol activity.

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27 November Two trucks went from Gaduk to Sholecheran and one jeep went from Tazakend to Qishlag.

There was routine patrol activity.

12 December 1400 hours Forty-two peasants, men and women, went from Kaluz to Tabalghen village (not located). One jeep moved from Anburdarreh to Qishlag.

There was routine patrol activity.

13 December There was routine patrol activity.

One truckload of foodstuffs moved from Gaduk village to Onstomok. One truck arrived at Farzi Kandi coming from Qishlag.

13 and 14 December There was routine patrol activity.

There was rifle shooting at the Sholecheran post.

One cart went from Qishlag to Anburdarreh.

Two white rockets were fired at the Qishlag post.

16 December There was routine patrol activity.

Two carts arrived at Qishlag coming from Farzi Kandi.

7. Astara

21 September 0930 hours Two reconnaissance planes, bi-planes, coming from the direction of Lenkoran, circled over Astara for a short time and then flew off toward Lenkoran.

21 and 22 September Road traffic between Lenkoran and Astara, both directions: three jeeps, 29 trucks, and two carts carrying six officers, 22 armed and unarmed soldiers, 34 civilians, and some wood, bricks, and iron.

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: three jeeps, 34 trucks, and 25 carts carrying 13 officers, two heavy machine guns, 65 armed and 86 unarmed soldiers, 81 civilian males, 22 women, and four children, foodstuffs, ammunition boxes, barbed wire, straw, coal, wood, bags, stone, and sand; plus 18 unarmed soldiers on foot, 21 armed cavalry, nine armed soldiers on foot, two soldiers riding bicycles, and 22 women on foot.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last post west: eight trucks, nine carts carrying three officers, five armed soldiers, 16 unarmed soldiers, 13 male civilians, and 13 women, and one child, some rice, wood, lumber, and stone; plus eight civilians on foot, three armed soldiers on horseback, eight civilians on horseback, and 13 armed soldiers on foot.

There was intermittent searchlight activity.

Three rockets were fired at Astara during one of these nights and five rockets were fired at Masjed Mahalleh.

During one of the two days, rifle firing practice was held at the Rudkinar post (38-29N, 48-51E).

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25 September

Road traffic - north and southbound between Astara and Lenkoran: three groups of armed soldiers on foot, five trucks containing 48 armed soldiers.

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: four jeeps, 17 trucks, and seven carts with 10 officers, 47 armed and 11 unarmed soldiers, four male civilians, and eight women; plus two armed soldiers riding on bicycles, three armed soldiers on foot, eight women on foot. Foodstuffs, kerosene, lumber, straw, and ammunition boxes were part of the loads carried in the vehicles.

Westbound, Masjed Mahalleh to last post west: one truck carrying nine armed and seven unarmed soldiers and two civilians.

1100
to 1300
hours

Rifle and machine gun practice took place at Soviet Astara.

1030
to 1600
hours

Rifle and machine gun practice took place at the Masjed Mahalleh post.

0600
hours

Machine gun firing practice took place at the Korpi post (previously reported as Kerpi),

Searchlight activity was intermittent during the night.

26 September

0850
hours

Two Soviet bi-planes flew a reconnaissance flight over Astara.

27 September

0650
hours

Two Soviet bi-planes flew a reconnaissance mission over Astara.

Road traffic - north and southbound between Lenkoran and Astara: two jeeps and seven trucks carrying three officers, 12 armed and 26 unarmed soldiers, 13 civilians, and some foodstuffs.

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: two jeeps, 13 trucks, three carts, and one motorcycle carrying seven officers, 39 armed and 26 unarmed soldiers, 18 civilians, some lumber, iron, and ammunition cases, plus 23 armed soldiers on foot.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last western post: one truck and seven carts containing three officers, nine armed and 12 unarmed soldiers, eight male civilians and two women, some wood and stone; plus six civilians on foot.

0800
to 1000
hours

There was rifle firing practice at Astara.

There was intermittent searchlight activity in the area.

28 September

0600
hours

Two bi-planes carried out a reconnaissance flight over Soviet Astara.

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Astara (cont'd)

9 - 11 October

Road traffic:- southbound, Lenkoran to Astara: 15 trucks loaded with 65 armed soldiers, one cart loaded with lumber, three jeeps carrying seven officers, and three covered trucks.

Northbound, Astara to Lenkoran: 12 trucks loaded with 110 armed soldiers and 21 civilians, three jeeps carrying seven officers.

Westbound, Astara to Masjed Mahalleh: 32 trucks, one cart loaded with boxes of cartridges, one kerosene tank, 11 carts, seven jeeps carrying 14 officers, 37 cavalry officers, 78 armed soldiers on foot, two officers riding motorcycles, 84 civilians on foot, three trucks, 186 unarmed soldiers, and 23 women on foot, one truckload of barbed wire, one truck loaded with a crane.

Eastbound, Masjed Mahalleh to Astara: two jeeps, 11 officers, four trucks loaded with summer clothing, ten trucks loaded with chopped wood, one truckload of planks, 44 armed infantry on foot, four cavalry officers, 14 trucks, 36 carts, one cart loaded with kerosene, 116 armed soldiers, 101 unarmed soldiers, 88 civilians on foot, two carts loaded with stones, two carts with barbed wire and two women.

During the night there was intermittent searchlight activity in the zone.

There was automatic rifle and machine gun firing practice at Masjed Mahalleh.

Nine rockets, white and green, were fired at the Astara post and the Qermezi post (not located).

Two fighter aircraft, numbered 2 and 3, appeared from the north and after flying over Soviet Astara, returned toward Lenkoran.

9 October

During the evening, a small gunboat armed with one 45 mm gun and a machine gun anchored off Soviet Astara. The gunboat sailed in the direction of Lenkoran on the next day.

19 October

1500
hours

The Soviet commanding officer and his Iranian counterpart met on the bridge between Soviet Astara and Iranian Astara to discuss the Iranian protest that Soviet searchlights had been beamed at Iranian guard posts and the Iranian shore of the river. After a 45-minute discussion the Soviet officer stated that he was ordering his men to refrain from such actions in the future.

20 October

Two Soviet bi-planes appeared from the north and, after flying over Astara, flew westward.

A vessel arrived from Lenkoran and after an hour's stay off Astara sailed, away toward the east.

Road traffic - north and southbound between Lenkoran and Astara: one jeep, one motorcycle, and 14 trucks carrying 25 civilians, 14 unarmed soldiers, six women, and some kerosene.

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Astara (cont'd)

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: seven jeeps, 16 trucks, and 17 carts loaded with 14 officers, 107 civilians, 34 armed and 46 unarmed soldiers, 23 women, some straw, foodstuffs, and a few sacks; three armed soldiers on horseback, eight unarmed soldiers on horseback, five women and seven male civilians on foot, and two civilians riding bicycles.

Westbound, Masjed Mahalleh to the last post in the west under observation in the area: three jeeps and one cart carrying three officers, 17 armed soldiers, 17 male civilians, and two women.

1030-
1330
hours There were firing exercises at Astara.

night There was intermittent searchlight activity and two rockets were fired at the Rudkinar post.

21 October

Road traffic, Lenkoran to Astara: four jeeps and 13 trucks carrying seven officers, 16 civilians, and 16 unarmed soldiers.

Westbound, Astara to Masjed Mahalleh: six jeeps, 23 trucks, and 24 carts carrying 14 officers, 15 armed and 30 unarmed soldiers, 23 women, 42 male civilians, some foodstuffs, bags, telephone posts, cartridge boxes, sand, and iron; 34 armed soldiers on foot, 11 unarmed soldiers on horseback.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last post in the west under observation in the area: one truck and two carts with two officers, six armed soldiers, three civilians, and some lumber; five civilians on horseback, and 12 unarmed soldiers on foot.

0945-
1900
hours There were shooting exercises with rifles and machine guns at Astara.

1000
hours There was machine gun firing practice at the Masjed Mahalleh post and rifle firing practice at the Rudkinar post.

night Two rockets were fired at Astara and four rockets were fired at the Masjed Mahalleh and Rudkinar posts. Searchlight activity was intermittent.

23 October

0920
hours A pair of Soviet bi-planes, numbered 5 and 3, flew over Soviet Astara.

Road traffic - north and southbound between Lenkoran and Astara: ten trucks and one ambulance with one officer, seven armed and 16 unarmed soldiers, five civilians, some foodstuffs and bricks; a group of armed soldiers on foot, one group of unarmed soldiers on foot, and six armed soldiers on horseback.

East and westbound, between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: two jeeps, 26 trucks, and 11 carts with four officers, 119 armed and 28 unarmed soldiers, some sand, stone, fire wood, land markers, communications supplies, foodstuffs; 65 male civilians on foot, eight women on foot, eight armed soldiers on foot, and 12 armed soldiers on horseback.

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Astara (cont'd)

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last post in the west under observation in the area: four trucks and 11 carts with one officer, 28 armed and 11 unarmed soldiers, 26 civilians, fire wood, and lime; 16 unarmed soldiers on foot, nine armed soldiers on horseback, two women on foot, and two officers on bicycles.

0800-
1400
hours

There was machine gun firing practice at Astara.

1300-
1800
hours

There was rifle and automatic weapons firing practice at Rudkinar.

night

Eight white and green rockets were fired in Astara and four white rockets were fired at the Alachai post. Searchlight activity was intermittent.

24 October

1000
hours

Two bi-planes, numbered 3 and 5, flew over Astara and then flew off toward the north. On the following day two biplanes, numbered 4 and 5, flew over Astara.

24 and 25 October

Road traffic - north and southbound between Lenkoran and Astara: two ambulances, four jeeps, 13 trucks, and one motorcycle carrying five groups of armed infantrymen, 52 armed soldiers, 27 civilians, one group of unarmed soldiers, and six women; eight armed cavalrymen.

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: eight jeeps, 43 trucks, and 17 carts carrying 15 officers, 114 armed and 130 unarmed soldiers, 58 male civilians, and 60 women, 12 infantry cadets, some boxes of ammunition, lumber, hay, empty sacks, stones, flour, kitchen utensils, tables and chairs, and barbed wire. 35 armed soldiers on bicycles.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last post in the west under observation: ten trucks and 34 carts carrying four officers, 17 unarmed and 11 armed soldiers, 12 civilians, some logs, lumber, stones, kerosene, and telephone wire.

A group of soldiers dug trenches at Astara.

There was dynamite blasting in the Astara heights.

There was rifle and machine gun firing practice at Rudkinar and Qapchi Mahalleh.

Trenches were dug at Masjed Mahalleh.

night

Four rockets were fired at the Qermezi post; 12 were fired at the Rudkinar post. Searchlight activity was intermittent.

28 and 29 October

Road traffic - north and southbound between Lenkoran and Astara: four jeeps, 18 trucks, and two carts with 13 officers, 20 civilians, 17 armed and 32 unarmed soldiers, two women, some bricks and iron rods; a group of soldiers on foot.

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Astara (cont'd)

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: five jeeps, 26 trucks, and 14 carts with 16 officers, 68 armed and 77 unarmed soldiers, 91 male civilians, five women, and two children, foodstuffs, boxes, kerosene tins, and telephone wire; 12 armed soldiers on foot, 14 unarmed soldiers on horseback, six civilians on foot, and three civilians on bicycles.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last post in the west under observation: six trucks and 11 carts with three officers, 13 armed and 27 unarmed soldiers, 41 civilians, some stones, and wooden tools; two armed soldiers on bicycles, seven unarmed soldiers on horses, nine civilians and five unarmed soldiers on foot.

On one of the two days trenches were dug at Astara.

28 October

Two Soviet bi-planes, numbered 4 and 5, appeared over Astara from the west and, after flying over Astara, flew toward Lenkoran.

0600-
1800
hours

There was automatic weapons and machine gun firing practice at Rudkinar.

29 October

1050
hours

A gunboat armed with two guns of 47 mm caliber and an anti-aircraft machine gun anchored off Astara where it stayed until 1420 hours and then departed.

1200-
1600
hours

There was machine gun firing practice at Masjed Mahalleh.

One white rocket was fired at Astara, five rockets were fired at Masjed Mahalleh and two white rockets were fired at the Korpi post. Searchlight activity was intermittent.

30 October

Road traffic - north and southbound between Lenkoran and Astara: four jeeps and 13 trucks with ten officers, 44 armed and 26 unarmed soldiers; five groups of armed soldiers on foot.

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: five jeeps, 25 trucks, and four carts with 16 officers, 162 armed and 43 unarmed soldiers, some stone and fire wood; 49 unarmed and 48 armed soldiers on foot, 25 civilians on foot, and 13 unarmed soldiers on horseback.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last post in the west under observation: four trucks and 10 carts with 17 armed and seven unarmed soldiers, 52 civilians, some land marks and fire wood.

At night one red rocket was fired at Alachai.

30 October (sic)
- 1 November

Road traffic - north and southbound between Lenkoran and Astara: six jeeps, 20 trucks with ten officers, 74 armed and 38 unarmed soldiers, and nine civilians; five groups of soldiers on foot, three officers on horseback, and three women on foot.

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Astara (cont'd)

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: three jeeps, one motorcycle, 30 trucks, and 11 carts with seven officers, 118 armed and 75 unarmed soldiers, 29 women and five children, 55 male civilians, fire wood, straw, sand, timber, and foodstuffs; 54 armed soldiers on foot, seven civilians on foot, three armed soldiers on horseback, and a sergeant on foot.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last post in the west under observation: 12 trucks and 19 carts with 12 armed soldiers, 37 unarmed soldiers, 60 civilians, telephone posts, barbed wire, foodstuffs, straw, fire wood, bricks, and stone; 21 unarmed soldiers on foot, two civilians on foot, and five armed soldiers on horseback.

Two rockets were fired at Astara and four were fired at the Korpi post. Searchlight activity was intermittent during the night.

There was rifle and machine gun firing practice at the posts of Rudkinar and Masjed Mahalleh.

2 November

Road traffic - north and southbound between Astara and Lenkoran: one ambulance, seven trucks, two carts, and one motorcycle carrying two officers, 12 armed and 26 unarmed soldiers, 12 civilians; two groups of soldiers on foot. Some boxes of ammunition were part of the loads of the vehicles.

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: three jeeps, 16 trucks, four carts carrying six officers, 87 armed soldiers, 24 civilians, and some foodstuffs and straw; 18 unarmed soldiers on horseback.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the farthest western post under observation: three trucks and seven carts which carried two officers, 19 armed soldiers, five women, nine civilians, some fire wood, straw, and telephone wire; five armed soldiers on horseback.

Twelve boats fished for three hours off Soviet Astara.

0700-
1200
hours

There was machine gun practice in Soviet Astara.

1300-
1800
hours

There was rifle firing practice at the Rudkinar post.

There was dynamite blasting on the heights of the Korpi post.

night

Searchlights were active during the night.

3 and 4 November 1220-
1620
hours

A Soviet gunboat carrying a 45 mm gun and equipped with radio anchored off Astara and then departed for Lenkoran.

Road traffic - north and southbound between Astara and Lenkoran: four jeeps and 17 trucks carrying eight officers, 104 armed soldiers, two civilians, and 46 unarmed soldiers; six groups of armed soldiers on foot, four soldiers carrying a mortar. Some foodstuffs were part of the loads carried by the trucks.

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Astara (cont'd)

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: 57 Soviet civilians, 11 officers, and 200 armed soldiers carried in six jeeps, 34 trucks, and 14 carts. Foodstuffs, lumber, ammunition cases, tables, and chairs were also loads carried by the above vehicles. Two groups of soldiers on foot and one sergeant with eight armed soldiers on horseback constituted part of the traffic.

East and westbound between the last western post under observation and Masjed Mahalleh: 12 trucks and 19 carts carrying barbed wire, winter clothing, rice, foodstuffs, bricks, stone, firewood, straw, 51 armed soldiers, 62 unarmed soldiers, 39 civilians, and three women; five armed soldiers on horseback, 26 unarmed soldiers on foot, and two civilians on foot.

Seven boats fished off Soviet Astara.

There was target practice at Soviet Astara with rifles, machine guns, and mortars.

At the posts of Masjed Mahalleh and Alachai there was target practice with machine guns, automatic weapons, and rifles.

0145 hours Two single-engined reconnaissance planes flew over Soviet Astara.

night Five rockets (white, green, and red) were fired at the Soviet post of Korpi.

5 November 0900 hours A gunboat equipped with an anti-aircraft gun arrived at Astara, coming from the direction of Lenkoran. The boat departed at 1230 hours.

Two single-engined, one-seater bi-planes appeared from the west and after flying over Soviet Astara for some time, flew off toward Lenkoran.

Road traffic - north and southbound between Astara and Lenkoran: one jeep, five trucks, and four carts carrying some empty bags, flour, two officers, 27 armed and 22 unarmed soldiers, three civilians and two women; two groups of soldiers, fully equipped, on foot.

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: 18 trucks and six carts carrying fire wood, empty bags, barbed wire, ammunition cases, 17 armed soldiers, 62 unarmed soldiers, 11 civilians. One motorcycle carrying three officers (sic), three armed soldiers on horseback, 15 armed soldiers on foot, and two officers riding bicycles.

Westbound, Masjed Mahalleh to the last western post under observation: four trucks and nine carts carrying 45 unarmed soldiers, 30 civilians, eight children, some wood, fire wood, stone, and foodstuffs.

0800-1000 hours Twelve boats fished off Soviet Astara.

Trenches were dug at Soviet Astara.

0900 hours A white rocket was fired at Masjed Mahalleh.

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Astara (cont'd)

6 November

Road traffic - north and southbound between Astara and Lenkoran: two jeeps, one ambulance, nine trucks and five carts carrying a few desks and chairs, nine officers, 22 armed soldiers (completely equipped), 39 unarmed soldiers, and 50 civilians; three officers on foot.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and Astara: 20 trucks and 15 carts carrying nine officers, 72 armed and 18 unarmed soldiers, 58 civilians, fire wood, lumber, stone, sand, straw, foodstuffs, kerosene, and three big cases; eight armed soldiers mounted on horses and 12 armed soldiers on foot.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last western post under observation: one jeep, four trucks, eight carts carrying bricks, lumber, foodstuffs, two officers, seven armed soldiers, 11 unarmed soldiers, and 47 civilians. Two unarmed soldiers riding bicycles, and eight civilians on foot.

0600-
0900
hours

Fifteen boats fished off Astara.

2100
hours

Two searchlights were beamed westward.

7 November

Road traffic - north and southbound between Astara and Lenkoran: three jeeps, 15 trucks, and four carts carrying eight officers, four armed and 59 unarmed soldiers, two women, some iron, lumber, and empty bags; one unit of armed soldiers on foot.

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: two jeeps, 21 trucks, seven carts, and one motorcycle carrying seven officers, 46 armed and 56 unarmed soldiers, 55 civilians, 39 women, three big cases, and some fire wood; 12 unarmed soldiers on horse back; two tractors.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last western post: seven trucks, 14 carts carrying two officers, nine armed soldiers, 15 unarmed soldiers, 40 civilians, 22 women, seven children, flour, telephone wire, lumber, fire wood, and stone; eight armed soldiers on horseback and 29 civilians on foot.

0800-
1200
hours

There was rifle target practice at Soviet Astara.

night

Two rockets (white and green) were fired at Astara. Searchlight activity took place.

Three green rockets were fired at the post of Kermzi (not located, but possibly identical with Germezi).

One rocket was fired at the post of Rudkinar.

8 November

1330
hours

A group of armed soldiers, 200 civilians (men and women) on foot and 50 civilians riding bicycles and carrying flags assembled in front of the garrison center of Soviet Astara for the purpose of observing the Anniversary of the October Revolution.***** Standing in ranks, all assembled sang the Soviet National Anthem.

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

Astara (cont'd)

Road traffic - north and southbound between Astara and Lenkoran: four jeeps, seven trucks, one ambulance carrying ten officers, two groups of unarmed soldiers, and 32 civilians.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and Astara: one jeep, 16 trucks, 13 carts loaded with seven officers, 101 armed soldiers, 63 civilians, 74 women, some foodstuffs, lumber, and bricks; a group of armed soldiers on foot, six unarmed soldiers on horseback.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last western post under observation: four trucks and 12 carts carrying one officer, 31 unarmed soldiers, eight civilians, some straw, wood, stone, and barbed wire; 12 unarmed soldiers on foot.

0600-
1000
hours

Twelve boats fished off Astara.

night

At midnight searchlights were played over the area during intervals.

A white rocket was fired at the post of Alachai.

A red rocket was fired at Zardali (not located).

9 November

0630
hours

A two-engined Soviet plane coming from the direction of the Caspian Sea flew over the Iranian border to a depth of about two kilometers and then flew back to Soviet Astara.

9 and 10 November

Road traffic - north and southbound between Lenkoran and Astara: four jeeps, three ambulances, and eight trucks with 10 officers, 32 armed and 28 unarmed soldiers, 16 civilians, foodstuffs, and kerosene; four groups of armed soldiers on foot, and nine unarmed soldiers on horseback.

Westbound, Astara to Masjed Mahalleh: four jeeps, 34 trucks, and 25 carts with nine officers, 129 armed and 74 unarmed soldiers, 52 civilians, seven women, a few desks and chairs, some telephone wire, fire wood, lumber, and winter clothing; two truckloads of cartridge boxes.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last post to the west under observation: 15 trucks and 21 carts with three officers, 76 armed and 29 unarmed soldiers, fire wood, straw, bricks, stone, winter clothing, rice, and foodstuffs; 29 unarmed soldiers on horseback, and three unarmed soldiers on foot.

Rifle and machine gun firing practice took place at Astara. Automatic rifle and machine gun practice took place at the Alachai border post.

Nine white and two red rockets were fired at Rudkinar and Alachai. Two red rockets were fired at the Korpi post.

11 November

Road traffic - north and southbound between Lenkoran and Astara: two jeeps, 17 trucks, and four carts with three officers, 42 armed and 22 unarmed soldiers, 40 civilians, cement, bricks, empty bags and cases.

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Astara (cont'd)

Westbound, Astara to Masjed Mahalleh: two motorcycles, 26 trucks, and 13 carts with five officers, 118 armed soldiers, 56 civilians, sand, fire wood, stone, foodstuffs, and telephone posts; 12 armed soldiers on foot.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last post to the west under observations eight trucks and three carts with one officer, 19 armed and 35 unarmed soldiers, some timber and foodstuffs; three unarmed soldiers on horseback, and seven civilians on foot.

Two white rockets were fired at Astara, five red and green rockets were fired at Rudkinar and Masjed Mahalleh, and four green, white, and red rockets were fired at the Zardali post. Searchlight activity was intermittent.

12 November

Road traffic - north and southbound between Astara and Lenkoran: one motorcycle, 12 trucks, and two carts carrying 13 armed soldiers, 36 civilians, and some fish.

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: 19 trucks, and seven carts carrying 24 armed soldiers, five unarmed soldiers, 60 male civilians, seven women, a quantity of fire wood, timber, and foodstuffs.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last western post under observation: two jeeps, seven trucks, and eight carts carrying five officers, 42 armed soldiers, eight unarmed soldiers, 37 civilians, and some wood; eight armed soldiers on foot, 13 unarmed soldiers mounted on horses, two officers on bicycles, 12 civilians on foot.

night Two white rockets were fired at the Rudkinar post.

night Five rockets (white, green, and red) were fired at the Korpi post.

13 November

Road traffic - north and southbound between Astara and Lenkoran: one jeep, two ambulances, ten trucks, and seven carts carrying two officers, nine armed soldiers, 27 unarmed soldiers, some foodstuffs and empty bags.

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: 12 trucks and 16 carts carrying 41 armed soldiers, 19 unarmed soldiers, 36 civilians, fire wood, and telephone posts.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last western post under observation: four trucks and 16 carts carrying five officers, 21 armed soldiers, 16 unarmed soldiers, 40 civilians, some boxes of ammunition, kerosene tins, empty bags, and timber; six armed soldiers riding horses, a group of soldiers on foot, 11 civilians on foot.

night A red rocket was fired at the Masjed Mahalleh post.

The Soviet border commission composed of eight members, five of which were high ranking officers and three of which were civilians, arrived at Astara to begin discussion with the Iranian Border commission. The Soviet mission was headed by Mayevski, fnu.

A Soviet gunboat equipped with two guns of 45 mm and 47 mm caliber respectively and equipped with two anti-aircraft machine guns anchored off Astara for about 25 minutes whereupon it sailed off in the direction of Lenkoran.

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Astara (cont'd)

November

Road traffic - north and southbound between Astara and Lenkoran: eight jeeps, two ambulances, 39 trucks, and 25 carts carrying 19 officers, 56 armed and 103 unarmed soldiers, 126 civilians, cartridge boxes, cement, sand, bricks, empty bags, kerosene tins, and covered cases; four groups of soldiers on foot.

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: one tank, two ambulances, six jeeps, 68 trucks, 37 carts, three motorcycles carrying 26 officers, 183 armed and 164 unarmed soldiers, 196 civilians, foodstuffs, firewood, telephone posts, sand, and stone; 40 armed soldiers on foot.

Westbound, Masjed Mahalleh to the last western post under observation: three jeeps, 32 trucks, 22 carts carrying foodstuffs, fire wood, wooden markers, lumber, stone, seven officers, 83 armed and 102 unarmed soldiers, 127 civilians (nine were women); two officers on horseback, three officers on foot, 12 armed soldiers on horseback; a group of unarmed soldiers on foot, two soldiers riding bicycles, and 17 civilians on foot.

Eight rockets, white and green, were fired at the Soviet post of Zardali.

Twelve rockets, white and green, were fired at the posts of Rudkinar and Masjed Mahalleh.

Searchlights were active at Astara; three rockets, white and green, were fired at Astara.

Firing practice with rifles and automatic weapons was conducted at Astara.

Twelve boats fished at sea off Astara.

15 November

The second meeting of the joint border commission took place in Soviet Astara. Next meeting was scheduled for 18 November in Iranian Astara.

0930
hours

Soviet gunboat equipped with an anti-aircraft machine gun anchored off Astara.

Road traffic - north and southbound between Lenkoran and Astara: two jeeps, ten trucks, and one cart with six officers, eight armed and 26 unarmed soldiers, 17 civilians, and some timber.

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: 17 trucks with 23 armed and 46 unarmed soldiers, 31 civilians, landmarks, doors, windows, and stone.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last post to the west: three trucks and one cart with two officers, seven armed soldiers, 26 civilians; eight armed soldiers on horseback and 23 armed soldiers on foot.

night

Three white rockets were fired at Astara and searchlight activity was intermittent in the area.

16 November

Road traffic - north and southbound between Lenkoran and Astara: one ambulance, eight trucks, and two carts with two officers, 12 armed and 36 unarmed soldiers, nine civilians, a group of armed soldiers; a group of unarmed soldiers on foot carrying some boxes.

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Astara (cont'd)

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: three jeeps, 14 trucks, and three carts with six officers, 86 armed soldiers, 24 civilians, and 18 unarmed soldiers on horseback.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last western post: six trucks and seven carts with two officers, 22 armed soldiers, 12 civilians, some telephone posts, straw, and fire wood; five armed soldiers on horseback, and 24 unarmed soldiers on foot.

0700-
1200
hours

There was machine gun firing practice at Astara.

1300-
1800
hours

There was rifle and machine gun firing practice at Rudkinar and Masjed Mahalleh.

There was intermittent searchlight activity.

17 November

0923
hours

Two bi-planes, numbered 5 and 3, flew over Astara.

18 November

Road traffic - north and southbound between Astara and Lenkoran: three jeeps, three ambulances, and five trucks carrying eight officers, two armed soldiers, 38 unarmed soldiers, 16 civilians, and some kerosene; two groups of armed soldiers on foot, nine unarmed soldiers on horseback.

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: one jeep, 15 trucks, and 16 carts carrying two officers, 27 armed soldiers, 43 civilians, some telephone wire, winter clothing, wood, and lumber.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last western post under observation: eight trucks and nine carts carrying three officers, 29 armed soldiers, 13 unarmed soldiers, some wood and stone; eight armed soldiers on foot, six unarmed soldiers on horseback, and three other unarmed soldiers on foot.

0920
hours

A gunboat equipped with two guns, 47 mm and 45mm respectively, and one anti-aircraft machine gun anchored off Astara for 15 minutes, then sailed off in the direction of Lenkoran.

night

Searchlights were intermittently played around the area of Soviet Astara.

Ten white rockets were fired at the post of Alachai. A red rocket was fired at the Korpi post.

17 and 18 November
(alternate version)

Road traffic - north and southbound between Lenkoran and Astara: one ambulance, one jeep, and 29 trucks with ten officers, 61 armed and 77 unarmed soldiers, 48 civilians, lumber, bricks, foodstuffs; two groups of armed soldiers on foot.

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: 22 trucks and 28 carts with seven officers, 100 armed and 77 unarmed soldiers, 32 civilians, cement, sand, stone, timber, rice, firewood, and cartridge boxes; 12 armed soldiers on foot, 13 civilians on foot, and three civilians on bicycles.

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Astara (cont'd)

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last post to the west: 18 trucks and 13 carts with one officer, eight armed and 14 unarmed soldiers, 72 civilian males, nine women and six children, stone, straw, land marks, and barbed wire; one sergeant and 27 armed soldiers on foot, and 18 unarmed soldiers on foot.

Machine gun firing practice was carried out at Astara.

Eight rockets, green and white, were fired at Astara. Searchlight activity was intermittent.

19 November

Road traffic - north and southbound between Astara and Lenkoran: two jeeps, eight trucks, two ambulances, and four carts carrying five officers, 44 armed soldiers, 29 civilians, some kerosene, empty bags, and sand.

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: two jeeps, one ambulance, one motorcycle, 12 trucks, and 11 carts carrying 75 armed soldiers, four officers, 19 unarmed soldiers, 38 civilians, some kerosene, barbed wire, lumber, wood, and straw.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last western post in the area: two jeeps, eight trucks, 10 carts carrying four officers, 50 armed soldiers, eight civilians, some foodstuffs, wood, and stone; two officers riding bicycles, and 19 armed soldiers on foot.

night

Searchlights were active and two green rockets were fired in Soviet Astara. One white rocket was fired at the post of Hudkinar and one green rocket was fired at the post of Zardali.

20 November

Road traffic - north and southbound between Astara and Lenkoran: three jeeps, eight trucks, one cart, one ambulance carrying 15 officers, 32 armed soldiers, seven civilians, and two large cases; one group of armed soldiers on foot (number of soldiers was not stated).

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: six jeeps, 12 trucks, and 14 carts carrying 14 officers, 29 armed soldiers, 36 unarmed soldiers, 52 civilians, some lumber; two soldiers on horseback carrying light machine guns and two boxes of cartridges, and 12 armed soldiers on foot.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last western post under observation in the area: one jeep, three trucks, and four carts carrying two officers, 25 armed soldiers, 13 civilians, and some foodstuffs; eight armed soldiers on foot, and five armed soldiers on horseback.

0600-
1000
hours

Sixteen boats fished off Astara.

0600-
1500
hours

Trenches were dug at the post of Korpi.

1530-
1700
hours

Firing of heavy machine guns took place at Soviet Astara.

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Astara (cont'd)

night There was intermittent searchlight activity.

night One white rocket was fired at the post of Alachai.

21 and 22 November Road traffic - north and southbound, between Astara and Lenkoran: five jeeps, two ambulances, 11 carts, and three trucks carrying 15 officers, 62 armed soldiers, some empty bags, lumber, and two big cases; 26 civilians, and about 300 armed soldiers on foot.

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: one tank, eight jeeps, 22 trucks, and 19 carts carrying 22 officers, 142 armed and 46 unarmed soldiers; 96 civilians and 29 armed soldiers on foot, four soldiers on horseback carrying a light machine gun and two boxes of ammunition.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last western post under observation in the area: one jeep, 13 trucks, and 12 carts carrying five officers, 35 armed and 48 unarmed soldiers, 47 civilians, straw, wood, and foodstuffs; 13 armed soldiers on horseback, and eight armed soldiers on foot.

Target practice with rifles and heavy machine guns took place in Soviet Astara.

Trenches were dug at the Soviet post of Korpi.

Sixteen boats fished in the sea off Astara.

night Three white rockets were fired at the Soviet post of Rudkinar.

Two white rockets were fired at the post of Korpi and one white rocket was fired at the post of Alachai.

Searchlights were turned on and off at the Soviet posts in the area at midnight.

23 November Road traffic - north and southbound between Astara and Lenkoran: one jeep, one ambulance, 13 trucks, and three carts carrying 18 armed and 12 unarmed soldiers, nine civilians, some empty bags and cases of empty cartridges; a group of armed soldiers on foot.

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: two jeeps, 11 trucks, and five carts carrying six officers, 11 civilians, five women, and some empty bags; 36 armed soldiers on foot.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last western post under observation in the area: one jeep, eight trucks, and nine carts carrying four officers, 52 armed and 64 unarmed soldiers, two civilians, and some barbed wire; 12 armed soldiers on foot.

2200 hours Several artillery shots were fired at Soviet Astara.

2300 hours A white rocket was fired at the Rudkinar post.

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Astara: (cont'd)

24 November

Road traffic - north and southbound between Astara and Lenkoran: two jeeps, 16 trucks, and seven carts carrying four officers, 36 armed and 23 unarmed soldiers, 35 civilians, some bags of cement, bricks, empty bags, and closed cases.

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: two motorcycles, 23 trucks, and eight carts carrying five officers, 79 armed soldiers, 32 civilians, some sand, firewood, stone, foodstuffs, and telephone poles; 14 unarmed soldiers on foot.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last western post under observation in the area: eight trucks and 11 carts carrying 43 armed soldiers, three civilians, some foodstuffs, and lumber; two officers on horseback and seven armed soldiers on foot.

2000
hours

A green rocket was fired at Soviet Astara.

Three white and green rockets were fired at the Korpi post.

25 and 26 November

Road traffic - north and southbound between Lenkoran and Astara: one jeep, 21 trucks, and five carts with two officers, 47 armed and 13 unarmed soldiers, 31 civilians, cartridge boxes, and sand; four groups of armed soldiers on foot.

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: three jeeps, 27 trucks, and 24 carts with 10 officers, 155 armed and 32 unarmed soldiers, 49 civilians, foodstuffs, fire wood, and empty bags; five officers on horseback, and a 105 mm short model gun.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last post in the west: one jeep, 17 trucks, and 14 carts with four officers, 42 armed and 63 unarmed soldiers, 39 male civilians and nine women, sand, and fire wood; five officers on foot, a group of unarmed soldiers on foot, nine armed soldiers on foot, and 39 civilians on foot.

Trenches were dug at the Rudkinar post.

Two green and white rockets were fired at Astara, one white rocket was fired at Rudkinar, and one white rocket was fired at Alachai. Two green rockets were fired at the Korpi post and one green rocket was fired at the Zardali post.

27 November

Road traffic - north and southbound between Lenkoran and Astara: five jeeps and eight trucks with 13 officers, 30 armed soldiers, and a radio communications set; a group of armed soldiers on foot.

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: one jeep, 14 trucks, and nine carts with three officers, 66 armed and 63 unarmed soldiers, 51 civilians, fire wood, foodstuffs, and cans of kerosene.

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Astara (cont'd)

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last post in the west: two jeeps, five trucks, and four carts carrying 12 armed and 21 unarmed soldiers, four officers, 25 civilians, some lumber; eight armed soldiers on horseback, eight unarmed soldiers on foot, and one soldier on a bicycle.

28 November

Road traffic - north and southbound between Lenkoran and Astara: one jeep, one ambulance, 12 trucks, and three carts with 18 armed and 12 unarmed soldiers, nine civilians, some cartridge boxes, and empty bags; one group of armed soldiers on foot.

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: two jeeps, 11 trucks, and five carts with six officers, 11 civilians, 36 armed soldiers, some empty bags; seven armed soldiers on foot.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last post to the west: one jeep, eight trucks, and eight carts with two officers, 52 armed and 64 unarmed soldiers, some barbed wire, and 12 armed soldiers on foot.

2200
hours

A few artillery shells were fired in the vicinity of Astara.

2300
hours

A white rocket was fired at Rudkinar.

12 and 13 December

Road traffic - north and southbound between Astara and Lenkoran: two ambulances, 12 jeeps, 39 trucks, and 12 carts with 22 officers, 149 armed and 40 unarmed soldiers, 29 civilians, foodstuffs, cartridge boxes, empty bags, kerosene barrels, lumber, and sand; four groups of armed soldiers on foot, two officers on horses.

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: four jeeps, 48 trucks, and 30 carts with 12 officers, 303 armed and 88 unarmed soldiers, 11 civilians, lumber, fire wood, empty bags, stone and cans; two officers on bicycles, 24 mounted soldiers, and a group of armed soldiers on foot.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last western post: one ambulance, 26 trucks, one jeep, and 19 carts with 10 officers, 66 armed and 132 unarmed soldiers, 82 civilians, foodstuffs, telephone wire, fire wood, and sand; two officers on horses, one sergeant and 12 armed soldiers on foot, a group of armed soldiers on foot, nine civilians on foot, and 11 armed soldiers on horses.

Seventeen rockets (white, green, and red) were fired at Rudkinar. One white rocket was fired at Astara. Searchlight activity was intermittent.

15 December

Road traffic - north and southbound between Lenkoran and Astara: two jeeps, one ambulance, 15 trucks, and four carts with six officers, 27 armed and 28 unarmed soldiers, eight civilians, kerosene cans, lumber, empty bags, and sand.

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: 12 trucks and 16 carts carrying 90 armed and 34 unarmed soldiers, and 36 civilians; 13 civilians on foot.

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Astara (cont'd)

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last post to the west: one jeep, two trucks, and 11 carts with four officers and 46 armed soldiers.

Westbound, Masjed Mahalleh to the last post west: one group of armed soldiers on foot was observed heading west.

Six white rockets were fired at Astara and 14 white rockets were fired at Masjed Mahalleh. Searchlight activity was intermittent.

16 and 17 December

Road traffic - north and southbound between Lenkoran and Astara: five jeeps, one ambulance, 26 trucks, and three carts with nine officers, 136 armed and nine unarmed soldiers, 42 civilians, foodstuffs, cement bags, sand, empty bags, and bricks; two groups of armed soldiers on foot.

East and westbound between Astara and Masjed Mahalleh: 25 trucks and 19 carts with 149 armed and 114 unarmed soldiers, 34 civilians, flour, foodstuffs, barbed wire, land markers, kerosene cans, and fire wood.

East and westbound between Masjed Mahalleh and the last western post: two jeeps, three motorcycles, 14 trucks, and 14 carts with 13 officers, 74 armed and 45 unarmed soldiers, foodstuffs, telephone wire; two officers on bicycles, two groups of armed soldiers on foot, 16 armed soldiers on horseback, eight armed soldiers on foot, and eight more armed soldiers on horseback.

Three white rockets were fired at Astara, four white and green rockets were fired at the Gardali post, and eight white and green rockets were fired at Rudkinar. Searchlight activity was intermittent.

8. Aurek (Eastern side of the Caspian Sea)
22 September

A new watch-post has been established by the Soviets west of Tazehabad (Iran, 37-18N, 54-05E), one kilometer from Shilat (not located).

9. Dash Burun
(37-37N, 54-48E)
25 October

During the week of 25 October, a new watch tower was constructed between Gudari-elum (possibly the previously reported Gudari at 37-37N, 54-45E) and Qaraqanjeh (not located). This brings the number of watch towers between these two points to two.

10. Gholaman
(38-12N, 57-07E)
10 October

During the several days preceding 10 October, Soviet activities in this area were stepped up. Maneuvers were carried out opposite Iranian Robat Karim (not located). On two occasions Soviet units in groups of 30 men each were observed.

11. Lutfabad
(37-33N, 59-17E)
17 September

Rail traffic - westbound, Kaakha to Ashkhabad: five trains composed of 15 passenger cars, three tank cars, 154 freight cars, 36 empty gondolas, 13 jeeps carried in an unstated number of cars, three carloads of wood, four carloads of iron, and four carloads of coal.

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Lut'abad (cont'd)

night Four trains, make-up unknown.

Eastbound, Ashkhabad to Kaakha: six trains composed of 33 passenger cars, 84 tank cars, 91 freight cars of which 17 were empty, seven were loaded with armored cars, and the remainder were closed cars.

night Three trains, make-up unknown.

Road traffic: one truck left Kaakha for Ashkhabad. One truck loaded with accommodations (sic) and carrying two civilians moved from Artik (37-36N, 59-16E) to Kouran Kaleh, as did a cart carrying two armed soldiers. One truck loaded with square boxes went from Artik to Kouran Kaleh.

Two rockets were fired at Dalkhan (not located).

1300 Rifle and machine gun fire was heard opposite Iranian
hours Shilkan (not located).

9 October

Rail traffic - westbound, Kaakha to Ashkhabad: four trains composed of 23 passenger cars, 24 tank cars, and three freight cars.

Eastbound, Ashkhabad to Kaakha: five trains composed of eight passenger cars, seven tank cars, and 90 freight cars.

12 and 13 November
(24 hour period from
0800 to 0800 hours)

Rail traffic - westbound, Kaakha to Ashkhabad: five trains composed of 22 passenger cars, seven tank cars, and 54 freight cars, seven of which were open, the remainder of which were covered.

Eastbound, Ashkhabad to Kaakha: five trains composed of five passenger cars, 153 tank cars, and 64 freight cars, 27 of which were open, the remainder of which were covered.

13 and 14 November
(same as above)

Rail traffic - eastbound, Ashkhabad to Kaakha: six trains composed of four passenger cars, 40 tank cars, and 85 freight cars, ten of which were empty, the remainder of which were covered.

Westbound, Kaakha to Ashkhabad: six trains composed of three passenger cars, 56 tank cars, and 41 covered freight cars.

night Eastbound, Ashkhabad to Kaakha: eight trains, make-up unknown.

14 and 15 November
(same as above)

Rail traffic - westbound, Kaakha to Ashkhabad: 12 trains composed of 16 passenger cars, 302 tank cars, 270 freight cars, of which 13 cars were full of wood, 26 cars were empty, and the remainder were covered.

Eastbound, Ashkhabad to Kaakha: seven trains composed of eight passenger cars, 140 tank cars, and 151 freight cars, 23 of which were empty and the remainder were covered.

night East and westbound between Kaakha and Ashkhabad: 18 trains, make-up unknown.

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Lutfabad (cont'd)

16 November

Road traffic: 15 truckloads of soldiers went from Ashkhabad to Kaakha.

Four armed soldiers dug in the ground opposite Artaq(possibly Artik) in an area surrounded by barbed wire.

16, 17, and 18

November

(single report for three days)

Rail traffic - westbound, Kaakha to Ashkhabad: 13 trains composed of 59 passenger cars, 163 tank cars, and 297 freight cars, of which 58 were empty and the remainder were covered.

Eastbound, Ashkhabad to Kaakha: eight trains composed of 14 passenger cars, 129 tank cars, 311 freight cars, 40 of which were empty and the rest were covered.

night

East and westbound between Kaakha and Ashkhabad: 24 trains, make-up unknown.

20 and 21 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Kaakha to Ashkhabad: eight trains composed of 34 passenger cars, 122 tank cars, 171 freight cars, 150 of which were empty and the remainder were covered.

Eastbound, Ashkhabad to Kaakha: eight trains composed of 25 passenger cars, 92 tank cars, 254 freight cars, 194 of which were empty and the rest were covered.

night

East and westbound between Ashkhabad and Kaakha: 16 trains, make-up unknown.

22 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Kaakha to Ashkhabad: four trains composed of 14 passenger cars, 73 tank cars, 94 freight cars, 21 of which were loaded with wood, 29 cars were empty, one car was full of soldiers, and the remainder were covered.

Eastbound, Ashkhabad to Kaakha: three trains composed of six passenger cars, 31 tank cars, 119 freight cars, 27 of which were empty and the rest were covered.

night

East and westbound between Kaakha and Ashkhabad: seven trains, make-up unknown.

23 and 24 November

Rail traffic - westbound, Kaakha to Ashkhabad: nine trains composed of 26 passenger cars, 151 tank cars, and 131 freight cars, of which 29 carried wood, 14 were empty, and the rest were covered.

Eastbound, Ashkhabad to Kaakha: six trains composed of 25 passenger cars, 68 tank cars, and 169 freight cars, of which eight were loaded with wood, 68 were empty, and the remainder were covered.

night

Fifteen trains, make-up unknown, went between Kaakha and Ashkhabad (direction not stated).

25 - 26 November

(24 hour period from 0800 hours to 0800 hours)

Rail traffic - westbound, Kaakha to Ashkhabad: three trains composed of 19 passenger cars, one tank car, 57 freight cars, of which four cars were loaded with wood, three were loaded with jeeps, ten cars were empty, and the remainder were covered.

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Lutfabad (cont'd)

Eastbound, Ashkhabad to Kaakha: five trains composed of five passenger cars, 27 tank cars, and 176 freight cars, of which 22 were loaded with wood, 24 were empty, and the remainder carried unknown loads.

night Seven trains, make-up unknown, moved between Kaakha and Ashkhabad (direction not stated).

26 - 27 November
(24 hour period
from 0800 hours
to 0800 hours)

Rail traffic - westbound, Kaakha to Ashkhabad: six trains composed of 23 passenger cars, 75 tank cars, 105 freight cars, of which there were 17 carloads of coal, two carloads of lumber, eight carloads of autos, 20 empty cars, and the remainder were covered.

Eastbound, Ashkhabad to Kaakha: two trains composed of two carloads of passengers, 47 tank cars, three empty freight cars, and 16 covered cars.

night Eight trains, make-up unknown, moved between Kaakha and Ashkhabad (direction not stated).

9 and 10 December

Rail traffic - westbound, Kaakha to Ashkhabad: eight trains composed of 61 passenger cars, 177 tank cars, and 69 freight cars of which 26 cars were loaded with wood, three were loaded with autos, and the remainder were covered.

Eastbound, Ashkhabad to Kaakha: ten trains composed of 58 passenger cars, 138 tank cars, and 107 freight cars, of which 26 carried wood, two cars were empty, 12 were loaded with autos, and the remainder were covered.

night Fourteen trains, make-up unknown, traveled between Kaakha and Ashkhabad (direction not stated).

11 and 12 December

Rail traffic - westbound, Kaakha to Ashkhabad: eight trains composed of 55 passenger cars, 163 tank cars, and 43 freight cars, of which nine were loaded with wood and the remainder were covered.

Eastbound, Ashkhabad to Kaakha: nine trains composed of 25 passenger cars, 246 tank cars, and 119 freight cars, of which 35 contained wood and the remainder were covered.

night Sixteen trains, make-up unknown, moved between Kaakha and Ashkhabad (direction not stated).

13 - 15 December

Rail traffic - westbound, Kaakha to Ashkhabad: 12 trains composed of 45 passenger cars, 251 tank cars, 85 freight cars, of which four cars were loaded with wood, three cars were loaded with trucks, and the remainder of the cars carried unknown loads.

Eastbound, Ashkhabad to Kaakha: 12 trains composed of 72 carloads of passengers, 147 tank cars, 155 freight cars, of which 16 were empty, eight were loaded with autos, 27 cars were loaded with wood, and the remainder of the cars were covered.

night Twenty-three trains, make-up unknown, moved between Kaakha and Ashkhabad (direction not stated).

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Lutfabad (cont'd)

16 December

Rail traffic - westbound, Kaakha to Ashkhabad: five trains composed of 25 passenger cars, 69 tank cars, 76 freight cars, of which 13 cars contained wood, and the remainder were covered.

Eastbound, Ashkhabad to Kaakha: three trains composed of six passenger cars, 90 tank cars, and 29 freight cars, of which four cars were loaded with wood, and the remainder were covered.

12. Serakhs

During the third week of October 1950, the Soviets installed a tall wooden watch tower similar to the other watch towers found at Soviet Serakhs. A former watch tower which was not favorably located had been torn down.

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Comments:

*Rail terminology is reported differently from different border posts. It is used in this report as received.

**The name of this post has been received as Deniqshlag, Deniqshag, Denikshlag, Deniqishlag. For the sake of uniformity the spelling Deniqishlag is used throughout this report, although the post has not been located on our maps.

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***[REDACTED] in the Pol Dasht sector reported activity of one Soviet soldier and one civilian under the bridge.

****The name of this post has been received as Omstomnok, Omstomrak, Omstomnork, Amstamang, Amstanang, and Astamnak. For the sake of uniformity the spelling Omstomnok is used throughout this report, although the post has not been located on our maps.

*****The name of this post has been received as Tazakend and Tazekand. It is believed that Tazakend is the correct spelling and that the post referred to in this report is the Tazakend located at either 38-39N, 48-17E or 38-49N, 48-07E, but definitely not the one located at 39-42N, 47-58E.

*****The Anniversary of the October Revolution is celebrated in the Soviet Union on 7 November.

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